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# Off-Diagonal Short Time Expansion of the Heat Kernel on a Certain Nilpotent Lie Group

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## 0. Introduction.

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a differential operator of Hörmander type ;

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^r V_{\alpha}^2 + V_0 ,$$

where  $V_{\alpha}$  ,  $\alpha = 0, 1, \dots, r$  , are  $C^{\infty}$ -vector fields on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Under the condition  $(H.1)_{\infty}$  of these vector fields given in §2 below, the fundamental solution  $p(t, x, y)$  of the heat equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L}u$  exists. Its short time expansion of the form

$$(0.1) \quad p(t, x, y) \sim \exp\left(-\frac{d(x, y)^2}{2t}\right) t^{-N/2} (c_0 + c_1 t + \dots) \text{ as } t \downarrow 0$$

has been studied by many authors in both analytical and probabilistic methods, cf. e.g. J.-M.Bismut [7], T.J.S.Taylor [21], S.Kusuoka [11], S.Watanabe [24], R.Léandre [16], G.Ben Arous [3]. Among others, G.Ben Arous [3] has shown that (0.1) holds with  $N = d$  when the pair

$(x, y)$  of points  $x$  and  $y$  is out of the cut-locus, i.e. when

(i) there exists a unique  $h_0 \in K_{\min}^{x, y}$  ,

(ii) the deterministic Malliavin covariance with respect to  $x$  and  $h_0$  is non-degenerate,

(iii)  $x$  and  $y$  are not conjugate along  $h_0$  ( i.e. the Hessian of the mapping  $h \in K^{x, y} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \|h\|_H^2$  is non-degenerate at  $h_0$  ),

cf. §2 for the precise meaning of notions and notations like  $K^{x,y}$ ,  $K_{\min}^{x,y}$ , the deterministic Malliavin covariance, etc. Also,  $d(x,y)$  in (0.1) is the control metric or the Carnot-Caratheodory metric which coincides with the  $H$ -norm of elements in  $K_{\min}^{x,y}$ . Indeed, it was shown by R.Léandre [13],[14] and [15] that, under the assumption of  $(H.1)_{\infty}$ , it holds generally

$$(0.2) \quad \lim_{t \downarrow 0} 2t \log p(t,x,y) = -d(x,y)^2$$

When the pair  $(x,y)$  is in the cut-locus, we can still expect that (0.1) holds but the exponent  $N$  is usually greater than  $d$ . In the simplest case of  $x = y$ , the expansion (0.1) with  $d(x,y) = 0$  has been obtained by G.Ben Arous [4], R.Léandre [16] and S.Takanobu [20] under some restriction on the drift vector field  $V_0$ . If this restriction is violated, the situation is much more complicated, cf G.Ben Arous [5], G.Ben Arous-R.Léandre [6].

Consider the case  $(x,y)$  is in the cut-locus and  $x \neq y$ . First we consider the case when (i) is violated but (ii) and (iii) remain valid for every  $h_0 \in K_{\min}^{x,y}$ . Here, however, the definition of non-conjugacy in (iii) should be modified as :

(iii)' the Hessian of the mapping  $h \in K^{x,y} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \|h\|_H^2$  is non-degenerate at  $h_0$  in the direction normal to  $K_{\min}^{x,y}$ .

Then we can expect that (0.1) holds with  $N = d + \dim K_{\min}^{x,y}$  just as in the case of the heat kernel on a sphere with  $\mathcal{L}$  = a half of the Laplacian and  $y$  is antipodal to  $x$ . ( cf. S.A.Molchanov [17]. Note that  $K_{\min}^{x,y}$  is in one-to-one correspondence with the set of minimal geodesics ( minimal horizontal curves given in §2 ) connecting  $x$  and  $y$  and hence  $\dim K_{\min}^{x,y}$  = the dimension of the set of all minimal geodesics connecting  $x$  and  $y$ . ) A typical example of this situation is the case of the Heisenberg group realized by  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $x = (0,0,0)$ ,  $y = (0,0,\eta)$ ,  $\eta \neq 0$  ( cf B.Gaveau [9], R.Azencott



[2] ). In this case,  $K_{\min}^{x,y}$  constitutes a one-dimensional submanifold in the Cameron-Martin Hilbert space and  $N = 4 = d + \dim K_{\min}^{x,y}$ . If, furthermore, the condition (ii) is violated, i.e., the deterministic Malliavin covariance degenerates at  $h \in K_{\min}^{x,y}$ , we may still expect that (0.1) holds with  $N > d + \dim K_{\min}^{x,y}$ , however.

Purpose of this paper is to illustrate these situations in a concrete case of the nilpotent Lie group  $N_{4,2}$  realized by  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$ . In this case, an explicit integral representation of the heat kernel was obtained by B.Gaveau [9] ( cf. also M.Chaleyat-Maurel [8] ) and the short time expansion (0.1) could be obtained directly from it. We follow here, however, a probabilistic approach given by H.Uemura-S.Watanabe [22] which can explain well the role of  $\dim K_{\min}^{x,y}$  and the degeneracy of the Malliavin covariance in the determination of  $N$  and which may give some insight, we hope, in more general situations.

Finally, we explain briefly our method. First we represent the heat kernel as

$$(0.3) \quad p(\varepsilon^2, x, y) = E[\delta_y(X_1^\varepsilon)]$$

by a generalized expectation of a generalized Wiener functional in the sense of S.Watanabe [24] where  $X_t^\varepsilon$  is the solution of the following stochastic differential equation :

$$(0.4) \quad \begin{cases} dX_t = \varepsilon \sum_{\alpha=1}^r V_\alpha(X_t) \circ dw_t^\alpha + \varepsilon^2 V_0(X_t) dt \\ X_0 = x \end{cases} .$$

$\delta_y$  is, of course, the Dirac  $\delta$ -function at  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . We evaluate the generalized expectation in the right-hand side of (0.3) by appealing to the theory of large deviations and the theory of asymptotic expansions of Wiener functionals as developed in S.Watanabe [24].

Roughly,  $X_t^\varepsilon$  conditioned by  $X_1^\varepsilon = y$  will be concentrated on the set  $M^{x,y} = \{ c^{x,h} ; h \in K_{\min}^{x,y} \}$  of minimal horizontal curves connecting

$x$  and  $y$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ , actually will be distributed uniformly on this set. It will be shown clearly by our probabilistic method how this limiting behavior of tied-down trajectories  $X_t^\varepsilon$  is reflected on that of  $p(\varepsilon^2, x, y)$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ .

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## 1. Probabilistic preliminaries.

In this section we introduce some notions and results on asymptotic expansions of generalized Wiener functionals as are necessary in the future. The reader is referred to S.Watanabe [23], [24] for details.

Let  $(W, H, \mu)$  be an abstract Wiener space.  $D_p^S(E)$  ( $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) be the completion of  $\mathcal{P}(E)$  ( $:= \{E\text{-valued polynomial Wiener functionals}\}$ ) by the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{p,s} = \|(I-L)^{s/2} \cdot\|_p$ , where  $L$  is the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck operator (the number operator),  $\|\cdot\|_p$  is the  $L^p$ -norm with respect to the measure  $\mu$ , and  $E$  is a separable Hilbert space. Especially when  $E = \mathbb{R}$ , we denote  $D_p^S$  instead of  $D_p^S(\mathbb{R})$ . Then it holds that  $D_p^0(E) = L^p(E, \mu)$  and  $D_p^S(E)^*$ , the dual space of  $D_p^S(E)$ , coincides with  $D_q^{-S}(E)$  under the identification of  $D_2^0(E)^*$  ( $= L^2(E, \mu)^*$ ) with itself,  $q$  being the conjugate exponent of  $p$ ;  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ .

We define  $H$ -derivative  $D : \mathcal{P}(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(H \otimes E)$  by  $DF(w)[h] := \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{F(w+\varepsilon h) - F(w)}{\varepsilon}$ ,  $h \in H$ . Here  $H \otimes E$  is a Hilbert space formed of all linear operators from  $H$  to  $E$  of Hilbert-Schmidt type endowed with the Hilbert-Schmidt inner product.  $D$  can be extended to a

bounded linear operator  $D_p^S(E) \rightarrow D_p^{S-1}(H \otimes E)$  and we denote again this extended linear operator by  $D$ . If  $D^*$  is the dual operator of  $D$ , then  $D^*$  maps from  $D_p^{S+1}(H \otimes E)$  to  $D_p^S(E)$  and  $L = -D^*D$ . ( See also N.Ikeda-S.Watanabe [10] or H.Sugita [19]. )

Set  $D^\infty(E) := \bigcap_{s \geq 0} \bigcap_{1 < p < \infty} D_p^S(E)$ ,  $\tilde{D}^\infty(E) := \bigcap_{s \geq 0} \bigcap_{1 < p < \infty} D_p^S(E)$ ,  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty}(E) := \bigcup_{s \geq 0} \bigcap_{1 < p < \infty} D_p^{-S}(E)$  and  $D^{-\infty}(E) := \bigcup_{s \geq 0} \bigcap_{1 < p < \infty} D_p^{-S}(E)$ . We call an element of  $D^{-\infty}(E)$  a *generalized Wiener functional* in analogy with the Schwartz distribution theory. When  $E = \mathbb{R}$  we denote them simply by  $D^\infty$ ,  $\tilde{D}^\infty$ ,  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty}$ ,  $D^{-\infty}$  respectively. For  $G \in D^\infty$  and  $\Phi \in D^{-\infty}$  ( or  $G \in \tilde{D}^\infty$  and  $\Phi \in \tilde{D}^{-\infty}$  ),  $G \cdot \Phi$  ( =  $\Phi \cdot G$  )  $\in D^{-\infty}$  is defined by  $D^{-\infty} \langle G \cdot \Phi, F \rangle_{D^\infty} := D^{-\infty} \langle \Phi, G \cdot F \rangle_{D^\infty}$  [ resp.  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty} \langle \Phi, G \cdot F \rangle_{\tilde{D}^\infty} = 1$  for all  $F \in D^\infty$  ].

For  $F(w) = (F^1(w), \dots, F^d(w)) \in D^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , i.e.  $F^i(w) \in D^\infty$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, d$ , set  $\sigma^{ij}(w) = \langle DF^i(w), DF^j(w) \rangle_H$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, d$ . Here  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H$  means the inner product of  $H$ . We call this  $d \times d$  matrix valued Wiener functional  $\sigma(w) = (\sigma^{ij}(w))_{i,j=1,\dots,d}$  the *Malliavin covariance of  $F$* . If  $\sigma(w)$  is positive definite for almost all  $w$  and furthermore  $(\det \sigma(w))^{-1} \in \bigcap_{1 < p < \infty} L^p(\mu)$ , we say that  $F$  is *non-degenerate* ( in Malliavin's sense ), and in this case, for any  $T \in \mathcal{G}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , a tempered Schwartz distribution on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , its *pull-back*  $T(F)$  is defined as an element of  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty}$ . For  $G \in \tilde{D}^\infty$ , we denote  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty} \langle T(F), G \rangle_{\tilde{D}^\infty}$  ( =  $D^{-\infty} \langle G \cdot T(F), 1 \rangle_{D^\infty}$  ) by  $E[T(F) \cdot G]$  or  $E[G \cdot T(F)]$ . Especially when  $T = \delta_y$ , the Dirac's  $\delta$ -function at  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $E[G \cdot \delta_y(F)] = E[G|F=y] \cdot p(y)$ ,  $p(y)$  being the  $C^\infty$ -density of  $F$ .

Let  $F(\varepsilon, w) \in D_p^S(E)$  for all  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ . If  $\|F(\varepsilon, w)\|_{p,S} = o(\varepsilon^n)$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ , we say  $F(\varepsilon, w) = o(\varepsilon^n)$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  in  $D_p^S(E)$ . When  $F(\varepsilon, w) \in D^\infty(E)$  for all  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ , we say  $F(\varepsilon, w) = o(\varepsilon^n)$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  in  $D^\infty(E)$  if  $F(\varepsilon, w) = o(\varepsilon^n)$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  in  $D_p^S(E)$  for all  $s > 0$ .

and  $p \in (1, \infty)$ . Similarly we define  $F(\varepsilon, w) = o(\varepsilon^n)$  in  $\tilde{D}^\infty(E)$ , in  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty}(E)$  and in  $D^{-\infty}(E)$ .

Let  $F(\varepsilon, w) \in D_p^S(E)$  for all  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ . We say  $F(\varepsilon, w)$  has the asymptotic expansion in  $D_p^S(E)$ :

$$F(\varepsilon, w) \sim f_0(w) + \varepsilon \cdot f_1(w) + \varepsilon^2 \cdot f_2(w) + \cdots \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } D_p^S(E)$$

if  $f_i(w) \in D_p^S(E)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and furthermore for all  $n$ ,

$$F(\varepsilon, w) - \sum_{i=0}^n \varepsilon^i \cdot f_i(w) = o(\varepsilon^n) \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } D_p^S(E).$$

Similarly we define the asymptotic expansion in  $D^\infty(E)$ , in  $\tilde{D}^\infty(E)$ , in  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty}(E)$  and in  $D^{-\infty}(E)$ . For example, we say  $F(\varepsilon, w)$  has the asymptotic expansion in  $\tilde{D}^\infty(E)$  when for all  $n$  and  $s$ , there exists  $p = p(s, n)$  such that  $f_i(w) \in D_p^S(E)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and

$$F(\varepsilon, w) - \sum_{i=0}^n \varepsilon^i \cdot f_i(w) = o(\varepsilon^n) \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } D_p^S(E).$$

Let  $F(\varepsilon, w) \in D^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for all  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$  and  $\sigma(\varepsilon, w)$  be its Malliavin covariance. We say  $F(\varepsilon, w)$  is *uniformly non-degenerate* if  $F(\varepsilon, w)$  is non-degenerate for all  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$  and furthermore

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \| \{\det \sigma(\varepsilon, w)\}^{-1} \|_p < \infty \quad \text{for all } p \in (1, \infty)$$

Here we give an important theorem concerning the asymptotic expansion of pull-backs.

**Theorem 1.1.** (S. Watanabe [24])

Let a family  $F(\varepsilon, w) \in D^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$ , be uniformly non-degenerate and have the asymptotic expansion in  $D^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ :

$$F(\varepsilon, w) \sim f_0(w) + \varepsilon \cdot f_1(w) + \cdots \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } D^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

Then for all  $T \in \mathcal{G}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , its pull-back  $T(F(\varepsilon, w)) \in \tilde{D}^{-\infty}$  and has the asymptotic expansion in  $\tilde{D}^{-\infty}$ :

$$T(F(\varepsilon, w)) \sim \Phi_0(w) + \varepsilon \cdot \Phi_1(w) + \cdots \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } \tilde{D}^{-\infty}.$$



Furthermore, these coefficients  $\Phi_i(w)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , are obtained from the formal Taylor expansion of  $T$ , i.e. formally from

$$T(F(\varepsilon, w)) = T(f_0) + \partial T(f_0)(\varepsilon \cdot f_1 + \varepsilon^2 \cdot f_2 + \dots) + \frac{1}{2} \partial^2 T(f_0)(\varepsilon \cdot f_1 + \varepsilon^2 \cdot f_2 + \dots) \otimes (\varepsilon \cdot f_1 + \varepsilon^2 \cdot f_2 + \dots) + \dots,$$

namely  $\Phi_i(w)$  is obtained by picking up all coefficients of  $\varepsilon^i$  in the right-hand side above. For example,  $\Phi_0 = T(f_0)$ ,  $\Phi_1 = \partial T(f_0)f_1$  and  $\Phi_2 = \partial T(f_0)f_2 + \frac{1}{2} \partial^2 T(f_0) f_1 \otimes f_1$ .

**Corollary 1.2.**

Under the same assumptions as in Theorem 1.1,

$$E[T(F(\varepsilon, w))] \sim E[\Phi_0(w)] + \varepsilon \cdot E[\Phi_1(w)] + \dots \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0.$$

## 2. Stochastic representation of heat kernels.

Here we discuss the stochastic representation of the fundamental solution of heat equations by using the above results. Consider the following differential operator  $\mathcal{L}$  of Hörmander type on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^r V_{\alpha}^2,$$

where  $V_{\alpha}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^d V_{\alpha}^i(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ ,  $\alpha = 1, \dots, r$ , and we assume  $V_{\alpha}^i(x) \in C_b^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d) :=$  the totality of  $C^{\infty}$ -functions such that all derivatives are bounded. Let  $p(t, x, y)$  be the fundamental solution of  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \mathcal{L}$ , i.e.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} p(t, x, y) = \mathcal{L}_x p(t, x, y) \\ \lim_{t \downarrow 0} p(t, x, y) = \delta_x(y) \end{cases}.$$

$p(t, x, y)$  can be obtained probabilistically by the following way: Let  $(W_0^r, P)$  be an  $r$ -dimensional Wiener space, i.e.  $W_0^r := \{w = (w_t) \in C([0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r); w_0 = 0\}$  is a Banach space endowed with the

norm  $\|w\| := \sup_{t \in [0,1]} |w_t|$  and  $P$  is the Wiener measure on  $W_0^r$ . Let

$H$  be the Cameron-Martin subspace of  $W_0^r$ , i.e.  $H$  is a Hilbert space consisted of all absolutely continuous functions on  $[0,1]$  whose Radon-Nikodym derivatives are square integrable with the norm  $\|h\|_H := \left( \int_0^1 \left| \frac{dh_t}{dt} \right|^2 dt \right)^{1/2}$ . Then  $(W_0^r, H, P)$  is an abstract Wiener space. Now consider the following stochastic differential equation (abbr. S.D.E.) on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} dX_t = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r V_{\alpha}(X_t) \circ dw_t^{\alpha} \\ X_0 = x \end{cases}.$$

Here  $w_t = (w_t^1, \dots, w_t^r) \in W_0^r$  and  $\circ dw_t^{\alpha}$  denotes the stochastic differential of Stratonovich type. We denote by  $X_t$  the solution of S.D.E. (2.1). We assume the following Hörmander-type condition on the vector fields  $V_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha = 1, \dots, r$ :

(H.1) $_{\infty}$  If we set

$$H(n) = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d ; \text{l.s.} \{ [V_{\alpha_1}, [V_{\alpha_2}, \dots, [V_{\alpha_{k-1}}, V_{\alpha_k}] \dots ] (x) , \\ \alpha_i \in \{ 1, \dots, r \} , k \leq n \} = T_x(\mathbb{R}^d) \}$$

$$\text{then } \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} H(n) = \mathbb{R}^d$$

Here l.s. means the linear span. In the case  $\bigcup_{n=1}^N H(n) (= H(N)) = \mathbb{R}^d$ , we say the condition (H.1) $_N$  is fulfilled. From now on we always assume (H.1) $_{\infty}$ . Then it is known (cf. S.Kusuoka-D.W.Stroock [12]) that the Malliavin covariance  $\sigma(t)$  of  $X_t \in D^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is non-degenerate for each fixed  $t \in (0,1]$ , more precisely positive constants  $K_1 = K_1(p)$  and  $K_2$  exist such that  $E[|\det \sigma(t)|^{-p}]^{1/p} \leq K_1 t^{-K_2}$ ,  $t \in (0,1]$ ,  $p \in (1, \infty)$ . Hence  $\delta_y(X_t) \in \tilde{D}^{-\infty}$ . Moreover we can see that

$$p(t, x, y) = E[\delta_y(X_t)] .$$

Let  $X_t^\varepsilon$  be a solution of the following S.D.E. (2.2) :

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{cases} dX_t = \varepsilon \sum_{\alpha=1}^r V_\alpha(X_t) \circ dw_t^\alpha \\ X_0 = x \end{cases} .$$

Then it is easy to see that  $\{X_t^\varepsilon\} \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\approx} \{X_{\varepsilon^2 t}\}$ , so the fundamental solution  $p(t, x, y)$  can be expressed also by

$$p(\varepsilon^2, x, y) = E[\delta_y(X_1^\varepsilon)]$$

In the following we use this representation to study its asymptotic behavior as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ .

For each  $h \in H$ , consider the following differential equation :

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dc(t)}{dt} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r V_\alpha(c(t)) \cdot \frac{dh_t^\alpha}{dt} \\ c(0) = x \end{cases} .$$

We denote the solution by  $c^{x,h}(t)$ . Such a curve for some  $x$  and  $h$  is called a *horizontal curve with respect to*  $\{V_\alpha\}$ . For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , set

$$K^{x,y} = \{ h \in H ; c^{x,h}(1) = y \} .$$

Then under the condition  $(H.1)_\infty$ , it is well-known that  $K^{x,y} \neq \emptyset$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  (cf. J.-M. Bismut [7], Th.1.14). Thus, for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , we set

$$d(x, y) = \min \{ \|h\|_H ; h \in K^{x,y} \} .$$

This defines a metric called *the control metric* of  $x$  and  $y$ . Let

$$K_{\min}^{x,y} = \{ h \in K^{x,y} ; \|h\|_H = d(x, y) \} .$$

Then it is also well-known that  $K_{\min}^{x,y} \neq \emptyset$  (cf. J.-M. Bismut [7], Th. 1.14). We define  $M^{x,y}$  by

$$M^{x,y} = \{ c^{x,h} ; h \in K_{\min}^{x,y} \}$$

and call its element *the minimal horizontal curve* connecting  $x$  and  $y$ .

Consider the following differential equation on  $d \times d$  matrix :

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dY(t)}{dt} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \partial V_{\alpha}(c(t)) Y(t) \cdot \frac{dh_t^{\alpha}}{dt} \\ Y(0) = I \end{cases},$$

where  $c(t)$  is the solution of (2.3) and  $\partial V_{\alpha}(x)$  is a  $d \times d$  matrix whose  $(i,j)$ -component is  $\partial V_{\alpha}^i(x) / \partial x_j$ . This solution is denoted by  $Y^{x,h}(t)$ . With this solution we define a  $d \times d$  matrix  $\sigma^{x,h}$  by

$$\sigma^{x,h} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \int_0^1 Y^{x,h}(1) Y^{x,h}(t)^{-1} V_{\alpha}(c^{x,h}(t)) \otimes Y^{x,h}(1) Y^{x,h}(t)^{-1} V_{\alpha}(c^{x,h}(t)) dt.$$

This  $\sigma^{x,h}$  is called *the deterministic Malliavin covariance* with respect to  $x$  and  $h$  and plays an important role later when we discuss the minimal horizontal curve.

We define *the Hamiltonian function* associated to the vector fields  $V_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha = 1, \dots, r$ , by

$$H(p,x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \langle p, V_{\alpha}(x) \rangle^2, \quad (p,x) \in T^*(\mathbb{R}^d),$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the coupling of elements in  $T_x^*(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $T_x(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Consider the following *Hamilton equation* with respect to  $H(p,x)$  above :

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{x}_t = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(p_t, x_t) \\ \dot{p}_t = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(p_t, x_t) \end{cases},$$

where  $\dot{\cdot}$  denotes the time derivative  $\frac{d}{dt}$ . The solution of this equation (2.5) is called a *bicharacteristic*. We denote the bicharacteristic with an initial value  $(p_0, x_0)$  by  $(p_t(p_0, x_0), x_t(p_0, x_0))$ . Now we summarize some results concerning to the bicharacteristic. Refer to J.-M. Bismut [7] for details.

$$(2.6-I) \quad \text{Let } p_t := p_t(p_0, x_0), \quad x_t := x_t(p_0, x_0) \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{h}_t :=$$

(  $\langle p_t, V_1(x_t) \rangle$  ,  $\dots$  ,  $\langle p_t, V_r(x_t) \rangle$  ) Then

$$c^{x_0, h}(t) = x_t(p_0, x_0)$$

(2.6-II) If the deterministic Malliavin covariance  $\sigma^{x_0, h}$  ,  $h \in K_{\min}^{x_0, y}$  , is non-degenerate. i.e.  $\det \sigma^{x_0, h} > 0$  , then there exists a unique  $p_0$  such that

$$c^{x_0, h}(t) = x_t(p_0, x_0)$$

(2.6-III) The following (H.2) is a sufficient condition on vector fields  $V_\alpha$  ,  $\alpha = 1, \dots, r$  , for the non-degeneracy of its deterministic Malliavin covariance :

(H.2)  $V_1(x_0)$  ,  $\dots$  ,  $V_r(x_0)$  are linearly independent and  
 l.s {  $V_1(x_0)$  ,  $\dots$  ,  $V_r(x_0)$  ,  $[V_1, Y](x_0)$  ,  $\dots$  ,  
 $[V_r, Y](x_0)$  } =  $T_{x_0}(\mathbb{R}^d)$

for every fixed  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r) \in \mathbb{R}^r \setminus \{0\}$  setting

$$Y = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \lambda_\alpha V_\alpha .$$

Namely, if (H.2) is satisfied at  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$  , then

$\det \sigma^{x_0, h} > 0$  for every  $h \in H$  such that  $h \neq 0$  .

### 3. Nilpotent Lie groups of order $r$ with $n$ -generators.

In this section we introduce a nilpotent Lie group which will be the main subject of this paper ( cf. B.Gaveau [9] ) Let  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  be  $C^\infty$ -vector fields. For  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \{1, \dots, n\}^k$  we define  $V_{[I]}$  and  $V_I$  by

$$V_{[I]} = [V_{i_1}, [V_{i_2}, \dots [V_{i_{k-1}}, V_{i_k}] \dots]] ,$$

$$V_I = V_{i_1} \cdot V_{i_2} \cdot \dots \cdot V_{i_k} ,$$

and let  $|I|$  be the length of  $I$ . ( In this case  $|I| = k$ . ) It is easy to show that there exist constants  $A_{IJ}$  such that

$$V_{[I]} = \sum A_{IJ} \cdot V_J$$

and  $A_{IJ} = 0$  if  $|I| \neq |J|$ .

### Definition 3.1.

We say that a system of vector fields  $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$  is free of order  $r$  at  $x$  if  $\sum_{|I| \leq r} a_I \cdot V_{[I]}(x) = 0$ ,  $a_I \in \mathbb{R}$ , implies  $\sum_{|I| \leq r} a_I \cdot A_{IJ} = 0$  for all  $J$  satisfying  $|J| \leq r$ . Let  $V =$   
 $\ell.s. \{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$ . We say the vector space  $V$  is free of order  $r$  if  $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$  is free of order  $r$  for all  $x$ .

### Definition 3.2.

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra.

i)  $\mathfrak{g}$  is said to be nilpotent of order  $r$  if  $\mathfrak{g} = V^1 \oplus \dots \oplus V^r$  where  $V^i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ , are vector subspaces of  $\mathfrak{g}$  satisfying  $V^2 = [V^1, V^1]$ ,  $V^3 = [V^1, V^2]$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $V^r = [V^1, V^{r-1}]$ ,  $[V^1, V^r] = \{0\}$  and  $[V^i, V^j] \subset V^{i+j}$ .

ii) Furthermore  $\mathfrak{g}$  is said to have  $n$  generators if  $\dim V^1 = n$  and moreover  $V^1$  is free of order  $r$ .

We say  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a nilpotent Lie algebra of order  $r$  with  $n$ -generators if i) and ii) above are satisfied and denote it by  $\mathfrak{n}_{n,r}$ . Let  $N_{n,r}$  be a Lie group corresponding to  $\mathfrak{n}_{n,r}$ . This  $N_{n,r}$  is called a nilpotent Lie group of order  $r$  with  $n$ -generators. From now on, we assume  $r = 2$ .

### Proposition 3.1.

Let  $\mathfrak{n}_{n,2} = V^1 \oplus V^2$ ,  $\{V_i, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  be a base of  $V^1$ ,



and  $V_{jk} := [V_j, V_k]$ . Then a system  $\{V_i, V_{jk}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n\}$  is a base of  $n_{n,2}$ .

*Proof.*

Set  $\sum_{|I| \leq 2} a_I \cdot V_{[I]}(x) = 0$  where  $a_I = 0$  if  $I = (i_1, i_2)$  satisfies  $i_1 > i_2$ . Since  $V^1$  is free,  $\sum_{|I| \leq 2} a_I \cdot A_{IJ} = 0$  for all  $J$ . Therefore by taking  $J = i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , or  $J = (j, k)$ ,  $1 \leq j < k \leq n$ , we see easily that  $a_J = 0$ , i.e.  $\{V_i, V_{jk}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n\}$  is linearly independent. Since  $V_{[(i_1, i_2)]} = -V_{[(i_2, i_1)]}$ , it is clear that the above system is a base. //

With this base we can introduce a canonical coordinate on  $N_{n,2}$  as follows :

$$(x_i, x_{(jk)})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \leq j < k \leq n}} \longleftrightarrow \exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot V_i + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} x_{(jk)} \cdot V_{jk} \right) \in N_{n,2}.$$

Hence  $N_{n,2}$  is realized by  $\mathbb{R}^{n(n+1)/2}$  under this coordinate and the group action is given as follows by Campbell-Hausdorff's theorem :

$$(x_i, x_{(jk)}) \cdot (y_i, y_{(jk)}) = (x_i + y_i, x_{(jk)} + y_{(jk)} + \frac{1}{2}(x_j y_k - x_k y_j)).$$

Define mappings  $L_{(x_i, x_{(jk)})}$  and  $R_{(y_i, y_{(jk)})}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{n(n+1)/2}$  by

$$L_{(x_i, x_{(jk)})}(z_i, z_{(jk)}) = (x_i, x_{(jk)}) \cdot (z_i, z_{(jk)}),$$

and

$$R_{(y_i, y_{(jk)})}(z_i, z_{(jk)}) = (z_i, z_{(jk)}) \cdot (y_i, y_{(jk)}).$$

Then both  $L_{(x_i, x_{(jk)})}$  and  $R_{(y_i, y_{(jk)})}$  are affine mappings with the determinants 1 and so the Haar measure of  $N_{n,2}$  is the Lebesgue measure. Under this coordinate  $V_i$  is expressed as follows :

$$(3.1) \quad V_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{k < i} x_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(ki)}} - \sum_{k > i} x_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(ik)}} \right).$$

Set

$$\Delta_{n,2} = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i^2$$

Obviously  $\{V_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  satisfies  $(H.1)_2$ . The group  $N_{2,2}$  is called *the 3-dimensional Heisenberg group* (cf. B.Gaveau [9], H.Uemura-S.Watanabe [22]), and the group  $N_{3,2}$  does not play a different role from  $N_{2,2}$  in our future considerations. Thus, in this paper, we assume  $n = 4$  and study the group  $N_{4,2}$  exclusively.

**Notations.** (cf. H.Uemura-S.Watanabe [22])

i)  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{10}$  is denoted by  $x = (x_i, x_{(jk)})_{\substack{i=1, \dots, 4 \\ 1 \leq j < k \leq 4}}$  or by  $[x, X]$

where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^4$  and  $X \in \mathfrak{o}(4) :=$  the totality of  $4 \times 4$  real skew-symmetric matrices, defined by  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_4)$  and

$$X_{ij} = \begin{cases} x_{(ij)} & \text{if } i < j, \\ -x_{(ji)} & \text{if } i > j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We also denote such  $X$  by  $\sum_{i < j} x_{(ij)} \delta_{ij} - \sum_{i > j} x_{(ji)} \delta_{ij}$

ii) For every  $\Omega \in O(4)$  we define a mapping  $T(\Omega)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$  by

$$T(\Omega)x = [\Omega x, \Omega X^t \Omega]$$

iii) For  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{o}(4)$ , define  $X \sim Y$  if and only if  $X = \Omega Y^t \Omega$  for some  $\Omega \in O(4)$

**Remark 3.1.**

Noting that  $\Omega X^t \Omega \in \mathfrak{o}(4)$  and that  $\|X\| = \|\Omega X^t \Omega\|$ ,  $\|\cdot\|$  being a 16-dimensional Euclidean norm by regarding  $X$  as an element of 16-dimensional Euclidean space, we know  $T(\Omega) \in O(10)$ . And it is easy to see that  ${}^t T(\Omega) = T({}^t \Omega)$

#### 4. Computation of minimal horizontal curves.

In this section we determine all the minimal horizontal curves on  $N_{4,2}$  connecting the origin 0 and  $x = [0, X]$ . For each  $h \in K^{0,x}$ , the horizontal curve  $c^h(t) = (c^{h,i}(t), c^{h,(jk)}(t))_{\substack{i=1,\dots,4 \\ 1 \leq j < k \leq 4}}$

and the deterministic Malliavin covariance

$$\sigma (= \sigma(h)) = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^{ij} & \sigma^{i(mn)} \\ \sigma^{(kl)j} & \sigma^{(kl)(mn)} \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i, j \leq 4, 1 \leq k < l \leq 4, 1 \leq m < n \leq 4}$$

are given as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} c^{h,i}(t) &= h_t^i, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4, \\ c^{h,(jk)}(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \{ h_s^j \cdot \dot{h}_s^k - h_s^k \cdot \dot{h}_s^j \} ds, \quad 1 \leq j < k \leq 4, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\dot{\cdot} = \frac{d}{dt}$  and  $c^h(1) = [0, X]$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^{ij} &= \delta_{ij}, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq 4, \\ \sigma^{(kl)j} &= \sigma^{j(kl)} = 0 \quad \text{if } k \neq j \text{ and } l \neq j, \\ \sigma^{(kl)k} &= \sigma^{k(kl)} = - \int_0^1 h_t^l dt, \\ \sigma^{(kl)l} &= \sigma^{l(kl)} = \int_0^1 h_t^k dt, \\ \sigma^{(kl)(mn)} &= 0 \quad \text{if } \{k, l, m, n\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \\ \sigma^{(kl)(kl)} &= \int_0^1 \{ (h_t^k)^2 + (h_t^l)^2 \} dt, \\ \sigma^{(kl)(kn)} &= \int_0^1 h_t^l \cdot h_t^n dt, \\ \sigma^{(kl)(mk)} &= \sigma^{(mk)(kl)} = - \int_0^1 h_t^l \cdot h_t^m dt \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sigma^{(kl)(ml)} = \int_0^1 h_t^k \cdot h_t^m dt.$$

#### Proposition 4.1.

If  $\text{rank } X = 4$ , the above deterministic Malliavin covariance  $\sigma$  is non-degenerate.

*Proof.*

For all  $X \in \mathfrak{o}(4)$ , there exists  $U \in \mathfrak{o}(4)$  such that  $U = u_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + u_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$  and  $X \sim U$ . If  $\text{rank } X = 4$ , then  $\text{rank } U = 4$ , i.e.  $u_1, u_2 \neq 0$ . It is enough to prove in the case  $X = U$  because

$$\sigma(\Omega h) = T(\Omega) \sigma(h) {}^t T(\Omega), \quad \Omega \in O(4),$$

which is easily obtained by that

$$Y^{0, \Omega h}(t) = T(\Omega) Y^{0, h}(t) {}^t T(\Omega)$$

and that

$$\begin{aligned} T(\Omega) & \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 V_{\alpha}(c^h(t)) \otimes V_{\alpha}(c^h(t)) {}^t T(\Omega) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 V_{\alpha}(c^{\Omega h}(t)) \otimes V_{\alpha}(c^{\Omega h}(t)), \end{aligned}$$

$Y^{x, h}$  and  $V_{\alpha}$  being as in (2.4) and (3.1) respectively.

Since  $h \in K^{0, [0, U]}$ ,

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{cases} \int_0^1 \dot{h}_t^i dt = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4, \\ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (h_t^1 \cdot \dot{h}_t^2 - h_t^2 \cdot \dot{h}_t^1) dt = u_1 \quad (\neq 0), \\ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (h_t^3 \cdot \dot{h}_t^4 - h_t^4 \cdot \dot{h}_t^3) dt = u_2 \quad (\neq 0), \\ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (h_t^i \cdot \dot{h}_t^j - h_t^j \cdot \dot{h}_t^i) dt = 0 \quad \text{if } (i, j) \neq (1, 2), (3, 4). \end{cases}$$

It is easy to show that  $\sigma$  is transformed into the following  $\theta$  by a general linear mapping:  $\theta^{ij} = \delta_{ij}$ ,  $\theta^{(ij)k} = \theta^{k(ij)} = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 4$ , and  $\theta^{(ij)(kl)}$  are given by

replacing  $h$  with  $\bar{h}$  in  $\sigma^{(ij)(kl)}$ , where  $\bar{h}_t^i := h_t^i - \int_0^1 h_s^i ds$ .

Clearly (4.1) remains valid under replacing  $h$  with  $\bar{h}$ .

Now it is enough to show that  ${}^t \xi \theta \xi = 0$  implies  $\xi = 0$  where we set  $\theta = (\theta^{(ij)(kl)})_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq 4 \\ 1 \leq k < l \leq 4}}$  and  $\xi = {}^t (\xi_{12}, \xi_{13}, \xi_{14}, \xi_{23}, \xi_{24}, \xi_{34})$ .

Since

$$\begin{aligned} {}^t\xi\theta\xi = \int_0^1 \{ & (-\xi_{12}\cdot\bar{h}_t^1 + \xi_{23}\cdot\bar{h}_t^3 + \xi_{24}\cdot\bar{h}_t^4)^2 \\ & + (\xi_{12}\cdot\bar{h}_t^2 + \xi_{13}\cdot\bar{h}_t^3 + \xi_{14}\cdot\bar{h}_t^4)^2 \\ & + (\xi_{13}\cdot\bar{h}_t^1 + \xi_{23}\cdot\bar{h}_t^2 - \xi_{34}\cdot\bar{h}_t^4)^2 \\ & + (\xi_{14}\cdot\bar{h}_t^1 + \xi_{24}\cdot\bar{h}_t^2 + \xi_{34}\cdot\bar{h}_t^3)^2 \} dt, \end{aligned}$$

we see that  ${}^t\xi\theta\xi = 0$  is equivalent to the following (4.2) :

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{cases} -\xi_{12}\cdot\bar{h}_t^1 + \xi_{23}\cdot\bar{h}_t^3 + \xi_{24}\cdot\bar{h}_t^4 = 0, \\ \xi_{12}\cdot\bar{h}_t^2 + \xi_{13}\cdot\bar{h}_t^3 + \xi_{14}\cdot\bar{h}_t^4 = 0, \\ \xi_{13}\cdot\bar{h}_t^1 + \xi_{23}\cdot\bar{h}_t^2 - \xi_{34}\cdot\bar{h}_t^4 = 0, \\ \xi_{14}\cdot\bar{h}_t^1 + \xi_{24}\cdot\bar{h}_t^2 + \xi_{34}\cdot\bar{h}_t^3 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then substituting (4.2) into (4.1), we can easily show  $\xi = 0$ . This completes the proof. //

Thus, in view of (2.6-II), the minimal horizontal curve in this case is obtained from bicharacteristics. This is also true in the case  $\text{rank } X = 2$ , because we can reduce this case to that of Heisenberg group.

Now we determine the bicharacteristics on  $N_{4,2}$ . Substituting (3.1), the Hamilton equation (2.5) is given by

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{x}_t^i = p_t^i + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{k < i} x_t^k \cdot p_t^{(ki)} - \sum_{k > i} x_t^k \cdot p_t^{(ik)} \right\}, \\ \dot{x}_t^{(ij)} = \frac{1}{2} (x_t^i \cdot \dot{x}_t^j - x_t^j \cdot \dot{x}_t^i), \\ \dot{p}_t^i = -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{i < j} p_t^j \cdot p_t^{(ij)} - \sum_{i > j} p_t^j \cdot p_t^{(ji)} \right\} \\ \quad - \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \sum_{\substack{l < j \\ i < j}} x_t^l \cdot p_t^{(ij)} \cdot p_t^{(lj)} + \sum_{\substack{l > j \\ i > j}} x_t^l \cdot p_t^{(ji)} \cdot p_t^{(jl)} \right. \\ \quad \left. - \sum_{i < j < l} x_t^l \cdot p_t^{(ij)} \cdot p_t^{(jl)} - \sum_{k < j < i} x_t^k \cdot p_t^{(kj)} \cdot p_t^{(ji)} \right\}, \\ \dot{p}_t^{(ij)} = 0. \end{cases}$$

Moreover it is easy to show that

$$(4.4) \quad \dot{h}_t^i \quad ( := \langle p_t, V_i(x_t) \rangle ) = \dot{x}_t^i \quad .$$

Since  $p_t^{(ij)} = p_0^{(ij)}$  and  $\{x_t^{(ij)}\}$  are obtained by  $\{x_t^i\}$ , setting  $x_t = {}^t(x_t^1, \dots, x_t^4)$  and  $p_t = {}^t(p_t^1, \dots, p_t^4)$ , we must solve the following equation :

$$(4.5) \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ p_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -A & I \\ A^2 & -A \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ p_t \end{pmatrix} \quad .$$

Here  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j=1,\dots,4} \in \mathfrak{o}(4)$  is given by

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \cdot p_0^{(ij)} & , \quad i < j \quad , \\ -\frac{1}{2} \cdot p_0^{(ji)} & , \quad i > j \quad , \\ 0 & , \quad i = j \quad , \end{cases}$$

and  $I$  denotes the  $4 \times 4$  identity matrix.

#### Proposition 4.2.

For all  $\Omega \in O(4)$ ,

$$\begin{cases} p_t(T(\Omega)p_0, T(\Omega)x_0) = T(\Omega)p_t(p_0, x_0) \\ x_t(T(\Omega)p_0, T(\Omega)x_0) = T(\Omega)x_t(p_0, x_0) \end{cases} \quad .$$

*Proof.*

It is easy to see that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \Omega x_t \\ \Omega p_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\Omega A^t \Omega & I \\ (\Omega A^t \Omega)^2 & -\Omega A^t \Omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Omega x_t \\ \Omega p_t \end{pmatrix} \quad ,$$

so the assertion of this proposition is obvious. //

#### Remark 4.1.

We know that for all  $A \in \mathfrak{o}(4)$ , there exist  $\Omega \in O(4)$  and  $Q \in Q(4) := \{ q_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + q_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43}) \in \mathfrak{o}(4) ; 0 \leq q_1 \leq q_2 \}$  such that

$$A = \Omega Q^t \Omega$$

Thus, by the proposition above, we can conclude that determining all the minimal horizontal curves connecting  $0$  and  $x = [0, X]$  is



equivalent to determining all  $(\tilde{p}_0 (= [\tilde{p}_0, 2Q]), \Omega) \in \mathbb{R}^{10} \times O(4)$ ,  $Q \in Q(4)$ , such that the  $H$ -norm of  $h$ , given by (4.4) from the solution of (4.3) with the initial value  $(\tilde{p}_0, 0)$  satisfying  $x_1(\tilde{p}_0, 0) = T({}^t\Omega)x$ , takes a minimum.

Replacing  $A$  by  $Q \in Q(4)$  in (4.5), we have

$$(4.6) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{x}_t^{2i-1} = -q_i \cdot x_t^{2i} + p_t^{2i-1} \\ \dot{x}_t^{2i} = q_i \cdot x_t^{2i-1} + p_t^{2i} \\ \dot{p}_t^{2i-1} = -q_i^2 \cdot x_t^{2i-1} - q_i \cdot p_t^{2i} \\ \dot{p}_t^{2i} = -q_i^2 \cdot x_t^{2i} + q_i \cdot p_t^{2i-1} \end{cases}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

with initial value  $(x_0, p_0) := (0, \tilde{p}_0)$ . We denote the solution of (4.6) by  $(x_t(\tilde{p}_0), p_t(\tilde{p}_0))$ . (In the following we always assume  $x_0 = 0$ , so we always omit  $x_0$ .) In this case clearly  $h_t = x_t$  and the solution of (4.6) is :

a) if  $q_i = 0$

$$\begin{cases} x_t^{2i-1}(\tilde{p}_0) = \tilde{p}_0^{2i-1} t \\ x_t^{2i}(\tilde{p}_0) = \tilde{p}_0^{2i} t \\ p_t^{2i-1}(\tilde{p}_0) = \tilde{p}_0^{2i-1} \\ p_t^{2i}(\tilde{p}_0) = \tilde{p}_0^{2i} \end{cases},$$

b) if  $q_i > 0$

$$\begin{cases} x_t^{2i-1}(\tilde{p}_0) = (\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1}/2q_i) \sin 2q_i t + (\tilde{p}_0^{2i}/2q_i) (\cos 2q_i t - 1) \\ x_t^{2i}(\tilde{p}_0) = -(\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1}/2q_i) (\cos 2q_i t - 1) + (\tilde{p}_0^{2i}/2q_i) \sin 2q_i t \\ p_t^{2i-1}(\tilde{p}_0) = (\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1}/2) (\cos 2q_i t + 1) - (\tilde{p}_0^{2i}/2) \sin 2q_i t \\ p_t^{2i}(\tilde{p}_0) = (\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1}/2) \sin 2q_i t + (\tilde{p}_0^{2i}/2) (\cos 2q_i t + 1) \end{cases},$$

thus, always,  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^4 (\tilde{p}_0^i)^2$

By the condition  $x_1^i(\tilde{p}_0) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , we must have that

$$q_i = r_i \pi, \quad r_i \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{if} \quad (\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1}, \tilde{p}_0^{2i}) \neq (0, 0),$$

and we set  $r_i = 0$  when  $\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1} = \tilde{p}_0^{2i} = 0$

$x_1^{(ij)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0)$  and  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2$  are computed as follows :

i) In the case  $0 = r_1 = r_2$  ,

$$x_1^{(ij)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = 0 .$$

ii) In the case  $0 = r_1 < r_2$  ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^{(ij)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad (ij) \neq (34) , \\ x_1^{(34)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r_2\pi} \cdot \{ (\tilde{p}_0^3)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^4)^2 \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = 2r_2\pi \cdot x_1^{(34)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) .$$

ii)' In the case  $0 < r_1 = r_2 = r$  ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^{(12)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r\pi} \cdot \{ (\tilde{p}_0^1)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^2)^2 \} , \\ x_1^{(13)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r\pi} \cdot \{ \tilde{p}_0^2 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^3 - \tilde{p}_0^1 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^4 \} , \\ x_1^{(14)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r\pi} \cdot \{ \tilde{p}_0^1 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^3 + \tilde{p}_0^2 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^4 \} , \\ x_1^{(23)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{-1}{4r\pi} \cdot \{ \tilde{p}_0^1 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^3 + \tilde{p}_0^2 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^4 \} , \\ x_1^{(24)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r\pi} \cdot \{ \tilde{p}_0^2 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^3 - \tilde{p}_0^1 \cdot \tilde{p}_0^4 \} , \\ x_1^{(34)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r\pi} \cdot \{ (\tilde{p}_0^3)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^4)^2 \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = 2r\pi \cdot \{ x_1^{(12)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) + x_1^{(34)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) \} .$$

iii) In the case  $0 < r_1 < r_2$  ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^{(12)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r_1\pi} \cdot \{ (\tilde{p}_0^1)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^2)^2 \} , \\ x_1^{(34)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= \frac{1}{4r_2\pi} \cdot \{ (\tilde{p}_0^3)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^4)^2 \} , \\ x_1^{(ij)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) &= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = 2r_1\pi \cdot x_1^{(12)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) + 2r_2\pi \cdot x_1^{(34)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) .$$

Thus, by setting  $x_1(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = [0, X(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0)]$  , we know that :

in the case i) ,  $\text{rank } X(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = 0$  ,

in the case ii) or ii)' ,  $\text{rank } X(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = 2$

and

in the case iii) ,  $\text{rank } X(\tilde{p}_0) = 4$  .

Therefore the cases that the given matrix  $X$  is rank 0 (i.e.  $X = 0$ ), rank 2 and rank 4 correspond respectively to the case i), the case ii) or ii)' and the case iii).

Finally we find the *minimal* horizontal curves  $x_t$  connecting 0 and  $x = [0, X]$  Equivalently we determine all  $h \in K_{\min}^{0, X}$

I. The case of  $\text{rank } X = 0$  , i.e.  $X = 0$  .

In this case clearly  $x_t = 0$  and  $h = 0$

II. The case of  $\text{rank } X = 2$  .

First of all we show that the case ii)' can be reduced to the case ii).

Define  $\theta_\theta \in O(2)$  and  $A_\theta^{(4)} \in O(4)$  by

$$\theta_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} , \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} ,$$

and

$$(4.7) \quad A_\theta^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_1 \cdot \theta_{\theta_2} & -\sin\theta_1 \cdot \theta_{\theta_3} \\ \sin\theta_1 \cdot \theta_{\theta_4} & \cos\theta_1 \cdot \theta_{\theta_5} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$  and  $\theta_5 = -\theta_2 + \theta_3 + \theta_4$  Then it is easy to

see that for given  $Q \in Q(4)$  such that  $q_1 = q_2$  ,  $\Omega \in O(4)$

satisfies  $\Omega Q^t \Omega = Q$  if and only if  $\Omega = A_\theta^{(4)}$  , and that for all  $z \in \mathbb{R}^4$ ,

there exists  $\underline{\theta}$  such that  $A_\theta^{(4)} z = {}^t(0, 0, \tilde{z}_3, \tilde{z}_4)$  . Thus if

$(\tilde{p}'_0 (= [\tilde{p}'_0, \tilde{Q}]), \Omega')$  attains the minimal horizontal curve and furthermore  $\tilde{Q}$  is as in ii)', there exists  $\underline{\theta}$  such that

$$T(A_\theta^{(4)})\tilde{p}'_0 = [\tilde{p}'_0, \tilde{Q}] , \quad \tilde{p}'_0 = {}^t(0, 0, \tilde{p}'_0{}^3, \tilde{p}'_0{}^4) .$$

So, by Proposition 4.2 and the invariance of  $H$ -norms under the orthogonal mapping, the case ii)' is reduced to the case ii) ( Recall that we set  $q_i = 0$  if  $\tilde{p}_0^{2i-1} = \tilde{p}_0^{2i} = 0$  ) . Therefore we only

consider the case ii).

Let  $U_1 = u(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u > 0$ , be the matrix satisfying  $X \sim U_1$ , thus there exists  $\Omega \in O(4)$  such that  ${}^t\Omega X \Omega = U_1$ . All of such  $\Omega$  are obtained by  $\{\Omega_1 A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}; \underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in [0, 2\pi)^2\}$ , where  $\Omega_1$  is an element of  $O(4)$  satisfying  ${}^t\Omega_1 X \Omega_1 = U_1$  and

$$(4.8) \quad A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_{\theta_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_{\theta_2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This is easily seen from the fact that

$${}^t\Omega U_1 \Omega = U_1 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \Omega = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \quad \text{for some } \underline{\theta}$$

and that  ${}^t\Omega_1 X \Omega_1 = U_1$  implies  ${}^t\Omega_1 \Omega_1 U_1 {}^t\Omega_1 \Omega_1 = U_1$

Since  $x_1^{(3,4)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = u$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = 2r_2 u \pi$  and this takes a minimum when  $r_2 = 1$ . So  $x_1^{(3,4)}(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \cdot ((\tilde{p}_0^3)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^4)^2) = u$ , i.e.

$$(\tilde{p}_0^3)^2 + (\tilde{p}_0^4)^2 = 4\pi u.$$

Thus, for some  $\alpha \in [0, 2\pi)$ , we can write

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{p}_0^3 = \sqrt{4\pi u} \cdot \cos \alpha \\ \tilde{p}_0^4 = \sqrt{4\pi u} \cdot \sin \alpha \end{cases}.$$

Therefore

$$h_t^1(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = h_t^2(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_t^3(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) \\ h_t^4(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_0) \end{pmatrix} = \theta_\alpha \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{u/\pi} \cdot \sin 2\pi t \\ \sqrt{u/\pi} \cdot (1 - \cos 2\pi t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Noting that  $\theta_\theta \cdot \theta_\alpha = \theta_{\theta+\alpha}$ , every element of  $K_{\min}^{0,x}$  is obtained by

$$h_{\underline{\theta}} = \Omega_1 A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \tilde{h},$$

where

$$(4.9) \quad \tilde{h}_t = {}^t(0, 0, \sqrt{u/\pi} \cdot \sin 2\pi t, \sqrt{u/\pi} \cdot (1 - \cos 2\pi t))$$

Since  $\tilde{h}_t^1 = \tilde{h}_t^2 = 0$ , we can change  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}$  to the following  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(1)}$ :

$$(4.10) \quad A_{\theta}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_{\theta} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi) .$$

Thus every element of  $K_{\min}^{0, X}$  is obtained by

$$(4.11) \quad h^{\theta} = \Omega_1 A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi) .$$

III. The case  $\text{rank } X = 4$  .

III-a) The case  $X \sim U_2 = u_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + u_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u_1 > u_2 > 0$ .

Similarly to the case II, we know that all  $\Omega \in O(4)$  satisfying  ${}^t\Omega X \Omega = U_2$  are obtained as in the form  $\Omega = \Omega_2 A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}$ ,  $\underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in [0, 2\pi)^2$ ,  $\Omega_2$  being any fixed element of  $O(4)$  such that  ${}^t\Omega_2 X \Omega_2 = U_2$ . Also  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 = 2r_1 u_1 \pi + 2r_2 u_2 \pi$ , so it takes a minimum when  $r_1 = 1$  and  $r_2 = 2$ . Therefore every element of  $K_{\min}^{0, X}$  is obtained by

$$(4.12) \quad h^{\underline{\theta}} = \Omega_2 A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h$$

where

$$(4.13) \quad h_t = {}^t(\sqrt{u_1/\pi} \cdot \sin 2\pi t, \sqrt{u_1/\pi} \cdot (1 - \cos 2\pi t), \\ \sqrt{u_2/2\pi} \cdot \sin 4\pi t, \sqrt{u_2/2\pi} \cdot (1 - \cos 4\pi t)) ,$$

and  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}$  is as in (4.8).

III-b) The case  $X \sim U_3 = u(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21} + \delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u > 0$  .

Similarly to the case II or III-a) we know that all  $\Omega$  satisfying  ${}^t\Omega X \Omega = U_3$  are obtained by  $\Omega = \Omega_3 A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}$  where  $\Omega_3$  is any fixed element of  $O(4)$  satisfying  ${}^t\Omega_3 X \Omega_3 = U_3$ . After all every element of  $K_{\min}^{0, X}$  is obtained by

$$(4.14) \quad h^{\underline{\theta}} = \Omega_3 A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \quad \underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3 ,$$

where  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}$  is as in (4.7) and  $h$  is given by

$$(4.15) \quad h_t = {}^t(\sqrt{u/\pi} \cdot \sin 2\pi t, \sqrt{u/\pi} \cdot (1 - \cos 2\pi t), \\ \sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot \sin 4\pi t, \sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot (1 - \cos 4\pi t)) .$$

## 5. Asymptotic expansion of the heat kernel on $N_{4,2}$

Here we compute the asymptotic behavior of the heat kernel  $p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x)$ ,  $x = [0, U] \neq 0$ .  $x$  is classified into the following three cases (cf. §4).

( Case A )  $U \sim u(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u > 0$ .

( Case B )  $U \sim u_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + u_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u_1 > u_2 > 0$

( Case C )  $U \sim u(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21} + \delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u > 0$ .

Now consider the following S.D.E. associated to  $\mathcal{L}$  on the 4-dimensional Wiener space :

$$(5.1) \quad \begin{cases} dX_t = \varepsilon \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 V_{\alpha}(X_t) \circ dw_t^{\alpha} \\ X_0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $V_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha = 1, \dots, 4$ , are given in (3.1). We denote the solution by  $X_t^{\varepsilon} = (X_t^{\varepsilon, i}, X_t^{\varepsilon, (jk)})_{i=1, \dots, 4, 1 \leq j < k \leq 4}$ . Then  $X_t^{\varepsilon}$  is obtained in the

following concrete form ;

$$\begin{cases} X_t^{\varepsilon, i} = \varepsilon w_t^i, & i = 1, \dots, 4, \\ X_t^{\varepsilon, (jk)} = \varepsilon^2 S^{jk}(t, w), & 1 \leq j < k \leq 4, \end{cases}$$

where

$$S^{jk}(t, w) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t (w_s^j dw_s^k - w_s^k dw_s^j) .$$

Define an  $\mathfrak{o}(4)$ -valued process  $S(t, w)$  by

$$S(t, w) = \sum_{i < j} S^{ij}(t, w) \delta_{ij} - \sum_{i > j} S^{ji}(t, w) \delta_{ij} .$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x) &= E[\delta_x(X_1^{\varepsilon})] \\ &= E[\delta_{[0, U]}([\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)])] \end{aligned}$$

For every  $\Omega \in O(4)$ , set  $U' = {}^t \Omega U \Omega$ . Then, recalling Remark 3.1,



we see

$$\begin{aligned}
& E[\delta_{[0,U]}([\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)])] \\
&= E[\delta_{T(t_\Omega)[0,U]}([\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)])] \\
&= E[\delta_{[0,U]}(T(\Omega)[\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)])] \\
&= E[\delta_{[0,U]}([\varepsilon \Omega w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, \Omega w)])] \\
&= E[\delta_{[0,U]}([\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)])] .
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is sufficient to treat the following three cases :

$$(\text{Case A}) \quad U = u(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43}) \quad , \quad u > 0$$

$$(\text{Case B}) \quad U = u_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + u_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43}) \quad , \quad u_1 > u_2 > 0$$

$$(\text{Case C}) \quad U = u(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21} + \delta_{34} - \delta_{43}) \quad , \quad u > 0 \quad .$$

$$(\text{Case A}) \quad U = u(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43}) \quad , \quad u > 0 \quad .$$

In this case every element  $h^\theta$  of  $K_{\min}^{0,x}$  is obtained as in (4.11) :

$$h^\theta = A_\theta^{(1)} \tilde{h} \quad , \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi) \quad ,$$

where  $A_\theta^{(1)}$  and  $\tilde{h}$  are given in (4.10) and (4.9), respectively.

We want to obtain the asymptotic behavior of the heat kernel  $p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x)$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  through the expression  $p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x) = E[\delta_x(X_1^\varepsilon)]$  by evaluating the generalized expectation of the right-hand side. Roughly, the family of diffusions  $\{X_t^\varepsilon\}$  conditioned by  $X_1^\varepsilon = x$  will be concentrated on the family  $M^{0,x}$ , actually, will be distributed uniformly on  $M^{0,x}$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ . To see how this fact will be reflected on the asymptotic behavior of  $p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x)$ , we will proceed as in H.Uemura-S.Watanabe [22].

First, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 5.1.A.** ( cf. H.Uemura-S.Watanabe [22] )

*For every fixed  $\theta_0 \in [0, 2\pi)$ , there exists  $\eta_0 > 0$ , such that*

for each  $\eta$ ,  $0 < \eta < \eta_0$ , there exists  $\gamma = \gamma(\eta) > 0$  satisfying

$$\int_{|\theta - \theta_0| < \eta} \delta_0 \left( \frac{d}{d\theta} \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H \right) \cdot \left( - \frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H \right) d\theta = 1$$

on  $\{ w ; \|w - A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_2 < \gamma \}$

and

$$(5.2) \quad \{ \theta ; \|A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h} - A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_2 < \gamma \} \subset \{ \theta ; |\theta - \theta_0| < \eta \} .$$

Here  $\langle h, w \rangle_H$  is the extended  $H$ -inner product of  $h \in H$  and  $w \in W_0^4$  defined by

$$\langle h, w \rangle_H = \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_0^1 \dot{h}_t^i dw_t^i ,$$

and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is defined by

$$\|w\|_2^2 = |w_1|^2 + \int_0^1 |w_t|^2 dt , \quad w \in W_0^4$$

*Proof*

Let  $F(\theta, w) = \frac{d}{d\theta} \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H$  and its Jacobian  $\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H$  be denoted by  $J(\theta, w)$ . Clearly  $J(\theta, w)$  is continuous with respect to the norm  $|\theta| + \|w\|_2$  and it is easy to check that

$$J(\theta_0, A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) = -4\pi u \quad (\neq 0) .$$

So we can find  $\eta_0$  and  $\gamma_0$  such that  $J(\theta, w) < 0$  for all  $(\theta, w) \in$

$$\{ \theta ; |\theta - \theta_0| < \eta_0 \} \times \{ w ; \|w - A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_2 < \gamma_0 \} .$$

Furthermore for any  $\eta < \eta_0$ , we can choose  $\gamma = \gamma(\eta) < \gamma_0$  such that for every  $w \in \{ w ; \|w - A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_2 < \gamma \}$  there exists some  $\theta_w \in \{ \theta ; |\theta - \theta_0| < \eta \}$

satisfying  $F(\theta_w, w) = 0$ . The reason is as follows :

$$\text{Let } W_{\eta} = \{ \theta ; |\theta - \theta_0| < \eta \} \text{ and } F_{\eta}^{\eta} = \{ F(\theta, w) ; \theta \in W_{\eta} \} .$$

That  $0 \in F_{\theta_0}^{\eta}$  is easily seen from that  $F(\theta_0, A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) = 0$ . On the

other hand it is easy to show that if  $x \in F_{w_0}^{\eta} \cap \left( w_{\eta \neq w_0} \cup_{w_{\eta \rightarrow w_0}} F_{w_{\eta}}^{\eta} \right)^c$

, then  $x \in \partial F_{w_0}^{\eta}$ . But  $F_{w_0}^{\eta}$  is open and hence if  $x \in F_{w_0}^{\eta}$ , there

exists  $\gamma(\eta) > 0$  such that  $x \in F_w^\eta$  for all  $w$  satisfying  $\|w - w_0\|_2 < \gamma(\eta)$ . Setting  $w_0 = A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}$  and  $x = 0$ , we conclude the above statement.

Let  $G(w) \in \tilde{D}^\infty$  be a Wiener functional whose support is contained in  $\{w; \|w - A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_2 < \gamma\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[ \int_{|\theta - \theta_0| < \eta} \delta_0(F(\theta, w)) \cdot (-J(\theta, w)) d\theta G(w) \right] \\ &= \int_{|\theta - \theta_0| < \eta} E[\delta_0(F(\theta, w)) \cdot (-J(\theta, w)) \cdot G(w)] d\theta \\ &= \lim_{n \uparrow \infty} \int_{|\theta - \theta_0| < \eta} E[\varphi_n(F(\theta, w)) \cdot (-J(\theta, w)) \cdot G(w)] d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $(\varphi_n)$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  ( $\mathcal{S} :=$  the Schwartz space of rapidly decreasing  $C^\infty$ -functions on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ) which converges to  $\delta_0$  in the distribution sense. Now clearly (5.2) is satisfied for all  $\gamma$  small enough. Note that the support of  $G(w)$  is contained in  $\{w; \|w - A_{\theta_0}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_2 < \gamma\}$ . Thus, by the change of variable  $x = F(\theta, w)$ , the above is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \uparrow \infty} E \left[ \int_{F_w^\eta} \varphi_n(x) dx G(w) \right] \\ &= E[G(w)], \end{aligned}$$

and this completes the proof. //

### Remark 5.1.

We can easily show that

$$-\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H = \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H$$

and

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H = \langle A_{\theta + (\pi/2)}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H,$$

so the equality in Lemma 5.1.A is equivalent to

$$\int_{|\theta - \theta_0| < \eta} \delta_0(\langle A_{\theta + (\pi/2)}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H) \cdot \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H d\theta = 1$$

Since  $K_1 := K_{\min}^{0,x}$  is compact, for all  $\gamma > 0$ , there exist  $(h^{\tilde{\theta}_1}, \dots, h^{\tilde{\theta}_n}) \subset K_1$  such that  $K_1 \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_i$  where

$$V_i = \{ w \in W_0^4 ; \|w - h^{\tilde{\theta}_i}\|_2^2 < \gamma^2/2 \} .$$

Set

$$U_i = \{ w \in W_0^4 ; \|w - h^{\tilde{\theta}_i}\|_2^2 < \gamma^2 \} \supset V_i .$$

Let  $\psi(\xi) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  satisfy  $0 \leq \psi \leq 1$ ,  $\psi(\xi) = 1$  on  $|\xi| \leq \gamma^2/2$  and  $\psi(\xi) = 0$  on  $|\xi| \geq \gamma^2$ . Set  $\Psi_i(w) = \psi(\|w - h^{\tilde{\theta}_i}\|_2^2)$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\Psi_i \in D^\infty$  and

$$I_{U_i}(w) \geq \Psi_i(w) \geq I_{V_i}(w)$$

Setting  $\Phi(w) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \Psi_i(w))$ , we see clearly

$$1 - \Phi(w) \leq I_{\bigcap_{i=1}^n V_i^c}$$

and  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n V_i^c$  is a closed set which is disjoint from  $K_1$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x) &= E[\delta_x(X_1^\varepsilon)] \\ &= E[\delta_x(X_1^\varepsilon)(1 - \Phi(\varepsilon w))] + E[\delta_x(X_1^\varepsilon)\Phi(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= J_1^{(1)} + J_2^{(1)} . \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\gamma$  which appears in the definition of  $\Phi$  is the constant  $\gamma(\eta)$  in Lemma 5.1.A associated with  $\eta$  which will be decided in Lemma 5.4 below.

**Lemma 5.2.** ( cf. S.Watanabe [24] Lemma 3.3 )

*There exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that*

$$J_1^{(1)} (= E[\delta_x(X_1^\varepsilon)(1 - \Phi(\varepsilon w))] ) = O(\exp\{-(\|\tilde{h}\|_H^2 + c)/2\varepsilon^2\})$$

*Proof*

Clearly for every  $\delta > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon)(1 - \Phi(\varepsilon w))] \\ &= E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \cdot \psi(|X_1^\varepsilon - x|^2/\delta^2) (1 - \Phi(\varepsilon w))] . \end{aligned}$$

By an integration by parts, the above integral can be given in the form

$$\sum E[P_k(\varepsilon, w) \psi^{(l)}(|X_1^\varepsilon - x|^2/\delta^2) \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \psi)^{(m_i)}(\|\varepsilon w - h^{\theta_i}\|_2^2) \varphi(X_1^\varepsilon)] ,$$

where  $P_k(\varepsilon, w)$  is a polynomial of  $X_1^\varepsilon$ ,  $|X_1^\varepsilon - x|^2$ ,  $\|\varepsilon w - h^{\theta_i}\|_2^2$ ,  $\gamma(\varepsilon)$  ( $\gamma :=$  the inverse of the Malliavin covariance of  $X_1^\varepsilon$ ) and their derivatives, and  $\varphi$  is a bounded continuous function on  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$ .

Appealing to S.Kusuoka-D.W.Stroock [12], we know

$$E[|P_k(\varepsilon, w)|^p]^{1/p} = O(\varepsilon^{-k}) \quad \text{for some } k \in \mathbb{N} .$$

Thus there exists a constant  $M$  such that

$$J_1^{(1)} \leq \varepsilon^{-l_M \cdot P} [ |X_1^\varepsilon - x| \leq \delta\gamma , \varepsilon w \in \prod_{i=1}^n V_i^c ]^{1/q} ,$$

where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . By R.Azencott [1], we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \varepsilon^2 \log P[ |X_1^\varepsilon - x| \leq \delta\gamma , \varepsilon w \in \prod_{i=1}^n V_i^c ] \\ & \leq - \inf \{ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \|h\|_H^2 ; |c^{0, h(1)} - x| \leq \delta\gamma , h \in \prod_{i=1}^n V_i^c \} . \end{aligned}$$

Now the right-hand side of the above inequality is strictly less than  $-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \|\tilde{h}\|_H^2$  by taking  $\delta$  small enough, because, otherwise, by taking

$\delta = 1/m$ , there exist  $h_m \in H$  satisfying  $|c^{0, h_m(1)} - x| \leq \gamma/m$ ,  $h_m \in \prod_{i=1}^n V_i^c$  and  $\lim \|h_m\|_H^2 \leq \|\tilde{h}\|_H^2$ . Then taking a subsequence  $\{h_m\}$  of  $\{h_m\}$ , there exists  $\bar{h}$  such that  $h_m \rightharpoonup \bar{h}$  weakly. Such  $\bar{h}$

satisfies  $\|\bar{h}\|_H^2 \leq \|\tilde{h}\|_H^2$ ,  $c^{0, \bar{h}(1)} = x$  and  $\bar{h} \in \prod_{i=1}^n V_i^c$ . Therefore  $\bar{h} \in K_1$  and this is a contradiction because  $\prod_{i=1}^n V_i^c$  and  $K_1$  are disjoint.

This completes the proof. //

In the following, therefore, we consider  $J_2^{(1)}$ . Let

$$\Phi = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \Psi_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \Phi_i ,$$

where  $\Phi_1 = \Psi_1$  ,  $\Phi_2 = \Psi_2(1-\Psi_1)$  ,  $\Phi_3 = \Psi_3(1-\Psi_1)(1-\Psi_2)$  ,  $\dots$  . Then clearly  $\Phi_i \cdot I_{U_i} = \Phi_i$  ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  . By Lemma 5.1.A and Remark 5.1 ,

$$\int_{|\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} \delta_0(\langle A_{\theta + (\pi/2)}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H) \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H d\theta \cdot \Phi_i(w) = \Phi_i(w) ,$$

$$i = 1, \dots, n$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(1)} &= E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \Phi(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \Phi_i(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[\delta_{[0, U]}([\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)]) \Phi_i(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} E[\delta_{[0, U]}([\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon^2 S(1, w)]) \delta_0(\langle h^{\theta + (\pi/2)}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \\ &\quad \cdot \langle h^\theta, \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(\varepsilon w)] d\theta \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} \exp(-\|h^\theta\|_H^2 / 2\varepsilon^2) \cdot E[\exp(-\langle h^\theta, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\ &\quad \times \delta_{[0, 0]}((\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon \int_0^1 (h_s^{\theta, i} dw_s^j - h_s^{\theta, j} dw_s^i) + \varepsilon^2 S^{ij}(1, w))) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle h^{\theta + (\pi/2)}, h^\theta + \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \cdot \langle h^\theta, h^\theta + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(h^\theta + \varepsilon w)] d\theta , \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is due to the Cameron-Martin transformation (abbr C-M transformation)  $w \rightarrow w + (h^\theta / \varepsilon)$  . Now we give some notations.

**Notations.**

For  $w, \tilde{w} \in W_0^4$  , we define  $4 \times 4$  matrices  $w \otimes \tilde{w}$  ,  $\dot{w} \otimes \tilde{w}$  and  $w \otimes \dot{\tilde{w}}$  as follows :

$$(w \otimes \tilde{w})_{ij} = \int_0^1 w_t^i \cdot \tilde{w}_t^j dt ,$$

$$(\dot{w} \otimes \tilde{w})_{ij} = \int_0^1 \tilde{w}_t^j dw_t^i$$



and

$$(w \otimes \dot{w})_{ij} = \int_0^1 w_t^i d\tilde{w}_t^j .$$

Of course, we define them only when the right-hand sides have meaning as ordinary or stochastic integrals.

**Remark 5.2.**

It is easy to see that

$$S(1, w) = \frac{1}{2} ( w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w )$$

and that, for every  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (Aw) \otimes \tilde{w} &= A(w \otimes \tilde{w}) , \quad w \otimes (A\tilde{w}) = (w \otimes \tilde{w})^t A , \\ (A\dot{w}) \otimes \tilde{w} &= A(\dot{w} \otimes \tilde{w}) , \quad \dot{w} \otimes (A\tilde{w}) = (\dot{w} \otimes \tilde{w})^t A , \\ (Aw) \otimes \dot{\tilde{w}} &= A(w \otimes \dot{\tilde{w}}) \quad \text{and} \quad w \otimes (A\dot{\tilde{w}}) = (w \otimes \dot{\tilde{w}})^t A . \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(1)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \tilde{\theta}_i| < \eta} \exp(-\|A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}\|_H^2 / 2\varepsilon^2) \cdot E[\exp(-\langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_0(\varepsilon(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{\theta+\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h} , A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h} + \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \\ &\quad \times \langle A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h} , A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h} + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h} + \varepsilon w)] d\theta \end{aligned}$$

and noting that  $A_{\theta}^{(1)} \in O(4)$  and Remark 5.2, this is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} &\exp(-\|\tilde{h}\|_H^2 / 2\varepsilon^2) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \tilde{\theta}_i| < \eta} E[\exp(-\langle \tilde{h}, {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon A_{\theta}^{(1)} \cdot {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w_1) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \{ \varepsilon(\tilde{h} \otimes {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \dot{w} - {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h}) \\ &\quad \quad + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}({}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w \otimes {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \dot{w} - {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \dot{w} \otimes {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w) \}) {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \} \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \cdot A_{\theta+\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h} , \tilde{h} + \varepsilon \cdot {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w \rangle_H) \\ &\quad \times \langle \tilde{h} , \tilde{h} + \varepsilon \cdot {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} (\tilde{h} + \varepsilon \cdot {}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} w))] d\theta . \end{aligned}$$

By the invariance of Wiener measure under an orthogonal

transformation, we see, noting also that  ${}^t A_{\theta}^{(1)} \cdot A_{\theta+\pi/2}^{(1)} = A_{\pi/2}^{(1)}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2^{(1)} &= \exp(-\|\tilde{h}\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta-\tilde{\theta}_i|<\eta} E[\exp(-\langle \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\
&\quad \times \delta_{[0,0]}(T(A_\theta^{(1)})[\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon(\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h}) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(\overline{w} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)]) \\
&\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, \tilde{h} + \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \\
&\quad \times \langle \tilde{h}, \tilde{h} + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(A_\theta^{(1)} \tilde{h} + \varepsilon A_\theta^{(1)} w)] d\theta .
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\langle A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, \tilde{h} \rangle_H = 0$ ,  $-\langle \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon = 2\pi \cdot S^{3,4}(1, w)$  under the condition that  $(\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h}) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}(\overline{w} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w) = 0$  and that  $A_\theta^{(1)} w_1 = 0$  (note that  $\tilde{h}^1 = \tilde{h}^2 \equiv 0$ ) and  $T(A_\theta^{(1)}) \in O(10)$ , we have finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2^{(1)} &= \exp(-\|\tilde{h}\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta-\tilde{\theta}_i|<\eta} E[\exp\{2\pi \cdot S^{3,4}(1, w)\} \\
&\quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_0(\varepsilon(\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h}) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(\overline{w} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)) \\
&\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \\
&\quad \times \langle \tilde{h}, \tilde{h} + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(A_\theta^{(1)} \tilde{h} + \varepsilon A_\theta^{(1)} w)] d\theta .
\end{aligned}$$

Define  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$ -valued Wiener functional  $g_0^{(1)}(w)$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.3) \quad g_0^{(1)}(w) &= (w_1, S^{1,2}(1, w), (\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h})_{ij, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4}, \\
&\quad (i, j) \neq (1, 2) \\
&\quad \langle A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H) ,
\end{aligned}$$

then by Lemma 5.4 and Lemma 5.5, given below, we can conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.4) \quad J_2^{(1)} &\sim \exp(-\|\tilde{h}\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \cdot \varepsilon^{-12} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta-\tilde{\theta}_i|<\eta} \Phi_i(A_\theta^{(1)} \tilde{h}) d\theta \\
&\quad E[\exp\{2\pi \cdot S^{3,4}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_0^{(1)}(w))] \cdot \|\tilde{h}\|_H^2 \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 .
\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 5.3.A.**

$$E[\exp\{2\pi S^{3,4}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_0^{(1)}(w))] = \frac{3}{2\pi^3 u^3} .$$

*Proof.*

Define  $\xi_k^{(i)}$ ,  $\eta_k^{(i)}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $\eta_0^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , by

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.5) \quad \xi_k^{(i)} &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^1 \sin 2\pi k t dw_t^i, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4, \\
\eta_k^{(i)} &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^1 \cos 2\pi k t dw_t^i, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4,
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\eta_0^{(i)} = w_1^i, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4.$$

Then we can easily show that

$$\begin{aligned} S^{ij}(1, w) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\xi_k^{(j)} (\eta_k^{(i)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(i)}) - \xi_k^{(i)} (\eta_k^{(j)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(j)})) \right] \\ &\quad, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \\ (\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h})_{13} &= -\sqrt{u/2\pi} \xi_1^{(1)}, \\ (\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h})_{14} &= \sqrt{u/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}), \\ (\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h})_{23} &= -\sqrt{u/2\pi} \xi_1^{(2)}, \\ (\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h})_{24} &= \sqrt{u/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}), \\ (\tilde{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \tilde{h})_{34} &= \sqrt{u/2\pi} \{ \xi_1^{(4)} + (\eta_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\langle A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h}, w \rangle_H = \sqrt{2\pi u} (\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)})$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &E[\exp(2\pi S^{34}(1, w)) \delta_0(g_0^{(1)}(w))] \\ &= E[\delta_0(\eta_0^{(1)}, \eta_0^{(2)}, S^{12}(1, w), -\sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot \xi_1^{(1)}, \sqrt{u/2\pi}(\eta_1^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}), \\ &\quad -\sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot \xi_1^{(2)}, \sqrt{u/2\pi}(\eta_1^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}))] \\ &\quad \times E[\exp\{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\xi_k^{(4)} (\eta_k^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) - \xi_k^{(3)} (\eta_k^{(4)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(4)}))\} \\ &\quad \delta_0(\eta_0^{(3)}, \eta_0^{(4)}, \sqrt{u/2\pi} \{ \xi_1^{(4)} + (\eta_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) \}, \sqrt{2\pi u} (\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)}))] \\ &= J_3^{(1)} \times J_4^{(1)}. \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 5.1 below, we see that  $J_3^{(1)} = \frac{3}{16\pi u^2}$ . On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} J_4^{(1)} &= E[\exp\{\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\xi_k^{(4)} \eta_k^{(3)} - \xi_k^{(3)} \eta_k^{(4)})\}] \\ &\quad \times E[\exp(\xi_1^{(4)} \eta_1^{(3)} - \xi_1^{(3)} \eta_1^{(4)}) | \eta_0^{(3)} = \eta_0^{(4)} = \xi_1^{(4)} + \eta_1^{(3)} = \xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)} = 0] \\ &\quad \times \{(2\pi)^2 \cdot \sqrt{\det C}\}^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C$  is the covariant matrix of  $(\eta_0^{(3)}, \eta_0^{(4)}, \sqrt{u/2\pi}(\xi_1^{(4)} + \eta_1^{(3)}), \sqrt{2\pi u}(\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)}))$  and it is easy to see that  $\det C = 4u^2$ . So, by a slight computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
J_4^{(1)} &= \prod_{k=2}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right)^{-1} \\
&\times E[\exp(-\frac{1}{2}((\xi_1^{(4)} - \eta_1^{(3)})/\sqrt{2})^2 + ((\xi_1^{(3)} + \eta_1^{(4)})/\sqrt{2})^2))] \times \frac{1}{8\pi^2 u} \\
&= \prod_{k=2}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right)^{-1} \times \left((1/\sqrt{2\pi}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{8\pi^2 u} \\
&= \frac{1}{8\pi^2 u} .
\end{aligned}$$

Thus the assertion of this lemma is concluded. //

**Proposition 5.1.**

Let  $J_3^{(1)}$  be as in the proof of above lemma. Then

$$J_3^{(1)} = \frac{3}{16\pi u^2} .$$

*Proof.*

Noting that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i t x} dt = \delta_x ,$$

it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
J_3^{(1)} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[\exp\{-2\pi i t \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\xi_k^{(1)} \eta_k^{(2)} - \xi_k^{(2)} \eta_k^{(1)})\} \\
&\quad | \eta_0^{(1)} = \eta_0^{(2)} = \xi_1^{(1)} = \xi_1^{(2)} = \eta_1^{(1)} = \eta_1^{(2)} = 0] p_1(0) dt ,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $p_1(x)$  is the density of the law of  $(\eta_0^{(1)}, \eta_0^{(2)}, -\sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot \xi_1^{(1)}, \sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot (\eta_1^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}), -\sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot \xi_1^{(2)}, \sqrt{u/2\pi} \cdot (\eta_1^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}))$  and  $p_1(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi u^2}$ . By a slight computation, the above conditional expectation is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
&\prod_{k=2}^{\infty} E[\exp\{-2\pi i \cdot \frac{t}{k} (\xi_k^{(1)} \eta_k^{(2)} - \xi_k^{(2)} \eta_k^{(1)})\}] \\
&= \prod_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{4\pi^2 t^2 + k^2} \\
&= (1 + 4\pi^2 t^2) \frac{2\pi^2 t}{\sinh 2\pi^2 t} .
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$J_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2\pi u^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (1 + 4\pi^2 t^2) \frac{2\pi^2 t}{\sinh 2\pi^2 t} dt$$

$$= \frac{3}{16\pi u^2} \quad . \quad //$$

It is easy to see that  $\|\tilde{h}\|_H^2 = 4\pi u$  and hence,

$$J_2^{(1)} \sim \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi u}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \varepsilon^{-1/2} \frac{3}{2^5 \pi^2 u^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \, d\theta \quad .$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \, d\theta \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} I_{U_i}(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \, d\theta \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^{2\pi} I_{U_i}(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \, d\theta \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^{2\pi} \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)} \tilde{h}) \, d\theta = 2\pi \quad . \end{aligned}$$

We have, therefore,

$$J_2^{(1)} \sim \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi u}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \varepsilon^{-1/2} \frac{3}{16\pi u^2} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \quad .$$

Therefore, we can now conclude the following.

#### Theorem 5.1.A.

In Case A, i.e.,  $x = [0, U]$ ,  $U \sim u(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u > 0$ ,

$$p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x) \sim \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi u}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \varepsilon^{-1/2} \frac{3}{16\pi u^2} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \quad .$$

( Case B )  $U = u_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + u_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u_1 > u_2 > 0$ .

In this case every element  $h_{\underline{\theta}}^{\underline{\theta}}$  of  $K_{\min}^{0, x}$  is obtained as in (4.12) :

$$h_{\underline{\theta}}^{\underline{\theta}} = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h \quad , \quad \underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in [0, 2\pi)^2 \quad ,$$

where  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}$  and  $h$  are as in (4.8) and (4.13), respectively. We set  $h^{[1]}$  and  $h^{[2]}$  by

$$h_t^{[1]} = t \left( \sqrt{u_1/\pi} \sin 2\pi t, \sqrt{u_1/\pi} (1 - \cos 2\pi t), 0, 0 \right)$$

and

$$h_t^{[2]} = t ( 0 , 0 , \sqrt{u_2/2\pi} \sin 4\pi t , \sqrt{u_2/2\pi} (1 - \cos 4\pi t) ).$$

Similarly as in Case A, we need only to evaluate

$$J_2^{(2)} := E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon)\Phi(\varepsilon w)]$$

where  $X_t^\varepsilon$  is a solution of S.D.E. (5.1) and  $\Phi$  is defined as in Case A associated with  $K_2 := K_{\min}^{0,x}$ ,  $x = [0, U]$ . Again  $\gamma(\eta)$  used in the definition of  $\Phi$  is given by the following lemma with  $\eta$  determined by Lemma 5.4 below. In the following we use the same notations as in Case A.

**Lemma 5.1.B.**

For every  $\underline{\theta}_0 \in [0, 2\pi)^2$ , there exists  $\eta_0 > 0$  such that for each  $\eta \in (0, \eta_0)$  there exists  $\gamma(\eta) > 0$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i=1,2} \right) \\ \det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i,j=1,2} \right) d\theta_1 d\theta_2 = 1 \\ \text{on } \{ w ; \|w - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(2)} h\|_2 < \gamma \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\{ \underline{\theta} ; \|A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(2)} h\|_2 < \gamma \} \subset \{ \underline{\theta} ; |\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta \} .$$

Proof is similar to Lemma 5.1.A and omitted.

**Remark 5.3.**

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H &= \langle A_{(\theta_1 + (\pi/2), \theta_2)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, w \rangle_H , \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_2} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H &= \langle A_{(\theta_1, \theta_2 + (\pi/2))}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, w \rangle_H \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i,j=1,2} \right)$$

$$= \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, w \rangle_H \cdot \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, w \rangle_H$$

Thus, denoting  $d\underline{\theta} = d\theta_1 d\theta_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(2)} &= E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \Phi(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \Phi_i(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_i| < \eta} E[\delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_U(\varepsilon^2 S(1, w)) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{(\theta_1 + (\pi/2), \theta_2)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \cdot \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{(\theta_1, \theta_2 + (\pi/2))}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \cdot \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(\varepsilon w)] d\underline{\theta} . \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H$  is a function of  $\theta_1$  and  $(w^1, w^2)$ , and  $\langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, \varepsilon w \rangle_H$  that of  $\theta_2$  and  $(w^3, w^4)$ .

By the C-M transformation  $w \rightarrow w + (A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h / \varepsilon)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(2)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_i| < \eta} \exp(-\|A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h\|_H^2 / 2\varepsilon^2) E[\exp(-\langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_O(\varepsilon \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h \rangle + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} (w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{(\theta_1 + (\pi/2), \theta_2)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle A_{(\theta_1, \theta_2 + (\pi/2))}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H) \\ &\quad \times \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \\ &\quad \times \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h + \varepsilon w)] d\underline{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

and noting that  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \in O(4)$  and Remark 5.2, this is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} &\exp(-\|h\|_H^2 / 2\varepsilon^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_i| < \eta} E[\exp(-\langle h, {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w_1) \\ &\quad \times \delta_O(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \{ \varepsilon (h \otimes {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w - {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \otimes h) \\ &\quad \quad + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} ({}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \otimes {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \dot{w} - {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \dot{w} \otimes {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w) \} {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \cdot A_{(\theta_1 + (\pi/2), \theta_2)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, h + \varepsilon {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \rangle_H) \\ &\quad \times \delta_0(\langle {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} \cdot A_{(\theta_1, \theta_2 + (\pi/2))}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, h + \varepsilon {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \rangle_H) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \langle h^{[1]}, h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \rangle_H \cdot \langle h^{[2]}, h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w \rangle_H \\ & \times \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}(h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w)) ] d\underline{\theta} . \end{aligned}$$

By the invariance of Wiener measure under an orthogonal transformation, we see, noting also that  $\langle A_{(\pi/2, 0)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, h \rangle_H = \langle A_{(0, \pi/2)}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, h \rangle_H = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(2)} &= \exp(-\|h\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta}-\underline{\theta}_i|<\eta} E[\exp(-\langle h, w \rangle_H/\varepsilon) \\ & \times \delta_{[0,0]}(T(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)})[\varepsilon w_1, \varepsilon(h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)]) \\ & \times \delta_0(\varepsilon \langle A_{(\pi/2, 0)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, w \rangle_H) \delta_0(\varepsilon \langle A_{(0, \pi/2)}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, w \rangle_H) \\ & \times \langle h^{[1]}, h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \langle h^{[2]}, h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}(h + \varepsilon w))] d\underline{\theta} . \end{aligned}$$

Since  $T(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}) \in O(10)$  and  $-\langle h, w \rangle_H/\varepsilon = 2\pi \cdot S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi \cdot S^{34}(1, w)$  under the condition that  $(h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w) = 0$  and that  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} w_1 = 0$ , we have finally,

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(2)} &= \exp(-\|h\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta}-\underline{\theta}_i|<\eta} E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \\ & \times \delta_0(\varepsilon(h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)) \\ & \times \delta_0(\varepsilon \langle A_{(\pi/2, 0)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, w \rangle_H) \delta_0(\varepsilon \langle A_{(0, \pi/2)}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, w \rangle_H) \\ & \times \langle h^{[1]}, h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \langle h^{[2]}, h + \varepsilon w \rangle_H \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}(h + \varepsilon w))] d\underline{\theta} . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, setting  $R^{12}$ -valued Wiener functional  $g_0^{(2)}(w)$  by

$$(5.6) \quad g_0^{(2)}(w) = (w_1, (h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h)_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \langle A_{(\pi/2, 0)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, w \rangle_H, \langle A_{(0, \pi/2)}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, w \rangle_H) ,$$

we have by Lemma 5.4 and Lemma 5.5 below,

$$\begin{aligned} (5.7) \quad J_2^{(2)} &\sim \exp(-\|h\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \cdot \varepsilon^{-12} \cdot \|h^{[1]}\|_H^2 \cdot \|h^{[2]}\|_H^2 \\ & \times \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta}-\underline{\theta}_i|<\eta} \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h) d\underline{\theta} \\ & \times E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_0^{(2)}(w))] \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 . \end{aligned}$$



**Lemma 5.3.B.**

$$\begin{aligned} E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_0^{(2)}(w))] \\ = \frac{3}{64\pi^4 u_1 u_2 (u_1^2 - u_2^2)} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

Let  $p_2(x)$  be the density of the law of  $g_0^{(2)}(w)$  Then

$$\begin{aligned} E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_0^{(2)}(w))] \\ = E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} | g_0^{(2)}(w)=0] \cdot p_2(0) , \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and it is easy to see that } p_2(0) = \frac{1}{16\pi^4 u_1 u_2 (2u_1 + u_2)^2} .$$

Let  $\Xi_{ij}^{(2)}$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ , be the  $(i, j)$ -component of  $(h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h)$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Xi_{12}^{(2)} &= \sqrt{u_1/2\pi} \xi_1^{(2)} + \sqrt{u_1/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}) , \\ \Xi_{13}^{(2)} &= \sqrt{u_1/2\pi} \xi_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{u_2/4\pi} \xi_2^{(1)} , \\ \Xi_{14}^{(2)} &= \sqrt{u_1/2\pi} \xi_1^{(4)} + \sqrt{u_2/4\pi} (\eta_2^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}) , \\ \Xi_{23}^{(2)} &= -\sqrt{u_1/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) - \sqrt{u_2/4\pi} \xi_2^{(2)} , \\ \Xi_{24}^{(2)} &= -\sqrt{u_1/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(4)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(4)}) + \sqrt{u_2/4\pi} (\eta_2^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\Xi_{34}^{(2)} = \sqrt{u_2/4\pi} \xi_2^{(4)} + \sqrt{u_2/4\pi} (\eta_2^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) .$$

Here  $\xi_j^{(i)}$ ,  $\eta_l^{(k)}$  are as in (5.5) Set

$$\Xi_1^{(2)} := \langle A_{(\pi/2, 0)}^{(2)} h^{[1]}, w \rangle_H = -\sqrt{2\pi u_1} (\xi_1^{(1)} - \eta_1^{(2)})$$

and

$$\Xi_2^{(2)} := \langle A_{(0, \pi/2)}^{(2)} h^{[2]}, w \rangle_H = -\sqrt{4\pi u_2} (\xi_2^{(3)} - \eta_2^{(4)})$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} | g_0^{(2)}(w)=0] \\ = E[\exp\left( \sum_{k=1}^2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{m} \{ \xi_m^{(2k)} (\eta_m^{(2k-1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2k-1)}) \right. \\ \left. - \xi_m^{(2k-1)} (\eta_m^{(2k)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2k)}) \} \right) | g_0^{(2)}(w)=0] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \prod_{k=1}^2 E[\exp(\xi_k^{(2k)} \eta_k^{(2k-1)} - \xi_k^{(2k-1)} \eta_k^{(2k)}) | \tilde{\Xi}_{2k-1, 2k=0}^{(2)}, \Xi_k^{(2)}=0] \\
&\quad \times E[\exp\{\frac{1}{2}(\xi_2^{(2)} \eta_2^{(1)} - \xi_2^{(1)} \eta_2^{(2)}) + 2(\xi_1^{(4)} \eta_1^{(3)} - \xi_1^{(3)} \eta_1^{(4)})\} \\
&\quad | \tilde{\Xi}_{13}^{(2)} = \tilde{\Xi}_{14}^{(2)} = \tilde{\Xi}_{23}^{(2)} = \tilde{\Xi}_{24}^{(2)} = 0] \\
&\quad \times \prod_{k=1}^2 \prod_{m=3}^{\infty} E[\exp\{\frac{k}{m}(\xi_m^{(2k)} \eta_m^{(2k-1)} - \xi_m^{(2k-1)} \eta_m^{(2k)})\}] \\
&= I_1 \times I_2 \times I_3 .
\end{aligned}$$

Here  $\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(2)}$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ , denote random variables constructed by excluding the terms  $\eta_0^{(k)}$  from  $\Xi_{ij}^{(2)}$ .

We see easily that  $I_1 = \frac{1}{4}$  and that  $I_3 = \prod_{k=1}^2 \prod_{m=3}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{k^2}{m^2}\right)^{-1} = 9$ .

So all we must do is to compute  $I_2$ .

Define  $X_i^{(2)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , by

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1^{(2)} &= -\sqrt{u_2/2} \cdot \eta_1^{(3)} + \sqrt{u_1} \cdot \xi_2^{(2)}, \\
X_2^{(2)} &= \sqrt{u_2/2} \cdot \xi_1^{(4)} - \sqrt{u_1} \cdot \eta_2^{(1)}, \\
X_3^{(2)} &= \sqrt{u_2/2} \cdot \xi_1^{(3)} + \sqrt{u_1} \cdot \xi_2^{(1)}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$X_4^{(2)} = -\sqrt{u_2/2} \cdot \eta_1^{(4)} - \sqrt{u_1} \cdot \eta_2^{(2)} .$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
&\exp\{\frac{1}{2}(\xi_2^{(2)} \eta_2^{(1)} - \xi_2^{(1)} \eta_2^{(2)}) + 2(\xi_1^{(4)} \eta_1^{(3)} - \xi_1^{(3)} \eta_1^{(4)})\} \\
&= \exp\{(2(u_1+2u_2)/(2u_1+u_2)^2)(-X_1^{(2)}X_2^{(2)} + X_3^{(2)}X_4^{(2)}) + P_2(\Xi)\}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $P_2(\Xi)$  is a polynomial of degree 2 in 4 variables  $\Xi = (\tilde{\Xi}_{13}^{(2)}, \tilde{\Xi}_{14}^{(2)}, \tilde{\Xi}_{23}^{(2)}, \tilde{\Xi}_{24}^{(2)})$  whose constant term is 0. This equality is obtained by the orthogonal decomposition in  $L^2(P)$  of  $\xi_j^{(i)}$  and  $\eta_l^{(k)}$  with respect to  $\ell.s.(\tilde{\Xi}_{13}^{(2)}, \tilde{\Xi}_{14}^{(2)}, \tilde{\Xi}_{23}^{(2)}, \tilde{\Xi}_{24}^{(2)})$ , for example,  $\xi_2^{(2)}$  is decomposed by

$$\xi_2^{(2)} = \frac{2}{(2u_1+u_2)} (\sqrt{u_1} \cdot X_1^{(2)} - \sqrt{\pi u_2} \cdot \tilde{\Xi}_{23}^{(2)}) .$$

Noting that  $X_i^{(2)} \sim N(0, u_1+(u_2/2))$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ ,

$$I_2 = E[\exp\{(2(u_1+2u_2)/(2u_1+u_2)^2)(-X_1^{(2)}X_2^{(2)} + X_3^{(2)}X_4^{(2)})\}]$$

$$= (2u_1 + u_2)^2 / 3(u_1^2 - u_2^2) \quad .$$

Combined  $I_1$  ,  $I_2$  and  $I_3$  with  $p_2(0)$  , we conclude this lemma. //

It is easy to compute that  $\|h\|_H^2 = 4\pi u_1 + 8\pi u_2$  ,  $\|h^{[1]}\|_H^2 = 4\pi u_1$  and  $\|h^{[2]}\|_H^2 = 8\pi u_2$  , and we can show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_i| < \eta} \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)} h) d\underline{\theta} = 4\pi^2$$

in the same way as in Case A. Therefore we have

$$J_2^{(2)} \sim \exp(-2\pi(u_1 + 2u_2)/\varepsilon^2) \varepsilon^{-12} \frac{6}{u_1^2 - u_2^2} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \quad .$$

In conclusion, we have

#### Theorem 5.1.B.

In Case B, i.e.,  $x = [0, U]$  ,  $U \sim u_1(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21}) + u_2(\delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$  ,  
 $u_1 > u_2 > 0$  ,

$$p(\varepsilon^2 \cdot 0, x) \sim \exp(-2\pi(u_1 + 2u_2)/\varepsilon^2) \varepsilon^{-12} \frac{6}{u_1^2 - u_2^2} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \quad .$$

( Case C )  $U = u(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21} + \delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$  ,  $u > 0$

In this case every element  $h_{\underline{\theta}}^{\theta}$  of  $K_{\min}^{\theta, x}$  is obtained as in (4.14) :

$$h_{\underline{\theta}}^{\theta} = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \quad , \quad \underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3 \quad ,$$

where  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}$  and  $h$  are as in (4.7) and (4.15), respectively.

Now we need a lemma corresponding to Lemma 5.1.A or 5.1.B, but we must take care that the Malliavin covariance  $\Sigma$  of

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \quad \text{is degenerate at } \theta_1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \theta_1 = \pi/2$$

since  $\det \Sigma = 3^2 \cdot 2^9 \cdot \pi^4 \cdot u^4 \cdot \cos^2 \theta_1 \cdot \sin^2 \theta_1$  Thus the corresponding

lemma is as follows.

**Lemma 5.1.C.**

For every  $\underline{\theta}_0 \in (0, \pi/2) \times [0, 2\pi)^3$ , there exists  $\eta_0 > 0$  such that for each  $\eta \in (0, \eta_0)$ , there exists  $\gamma = \gamma(\eta) > 0$  satisfying

$$\int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \right) \\ \det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i, j=1, \dots, 4} \right) d\underline{\theta} = 1 \\ \text{on } \{ w ; \|w - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} h\|_2 < \gamma \} ,$$

and

$$\{ \underline{\theta} ; \|A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} h\|_2 < \gamma \} \subset \{ \underline{\theta} ; |\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta \}$$

where  $d\underline{\theta} = d\theta_1 d\theta_2 d\theta_3 d\theta_4$ .

**Remark 5.4.**

Now we fix  $\underline{\theta}_0 \in (0, \pi/2) \times [0, 2\pi)^3$ , then for every  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  we have

$$\int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, Aw \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \right) \\ \det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, Aw \rangle_H \right)_{i, j=1, \dots, 4} \right) d\underline{\theta} = 1 \\ \text{on } \{ w ; \|Aw - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} h\|_2 < \gamma \} .$$

Moreover if  $A \in O(4)$ ,

$$(5.8) \quad \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle {}^t A \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \right) \\ \det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle {}^t A \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i, j=1, \dots, 4} \right) d\underline{\theta} = 1 \\ \text{on } \{ w ; \|w - {}^t A \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} h\|_2 < \gamma \} .$$

Especially let  $A$  be  $A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)}$ ,  $\underline{\theta}' \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3$ . Then

${}^t A \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} h = A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h$ . Therefore Lemma 5.1.C is extended in the form

(5.8) for all elements of  $K_{\min}^{0,x}$ .

Now we define  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi_i$ , etc. in the same way as in Case A or in Case B, and it is enough to treat

$$J_2^{(3)} := E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \Phi(\varepsilon w)] .$$

By (5.8), the definition of  $\Phi_i(w)$  and the transformation  $w \rightarrow A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} w$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \right) \\ & \det \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H \right)_{i,j=1, \dots, 4} \right\} d\underline{\theta} \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} w) \\ & = \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} w) . \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(3)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[\delta_X(X_1^\varepsilon) \Phi_i(\varepsilon w)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} E[\delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_U(\varepsilon^2 S(1, w)) \\ & \quad \times \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \varepsilon w \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \right) \\ & \quad \times \det \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \varepsilon w \rangle_H \right)_{i,j=1, \dots, 4} \right\} \\ & \quad \times \Phi_i(\varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} w)] d\underline{\theta} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \exp(-\|A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h\|_H^2 / 2\varepsilon^2) E[\exp(-\langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\ & \quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_0(\varepsilon(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)) \\ & \quad \times \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \right) \\ & \quad \times \det \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right)_{i,j=1, \dots, 4} \right\} \\ & \quad \times \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} w)] d\underline{\theta} . \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is obtained by a C-M transformation  $w \rightarrow w + A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h / \varepsilon$ . Noting that  $A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \in O(4)$  and Remark 5.2, this is

equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta}-\underline{\theta}_0|<\eta} \exp(-\|h\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) E[\exp(-\langle h, {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w \rangle_H / \varepsilon) \\
& \quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w_1) \\
& \quad \times \delta_0(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \{ \varepsilon(h \otimes {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \dot{w} - {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \dot{w} \otimes h) \\
& \quad \quad + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} ({}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w \otimes {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \dot{w} - {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \dot{w} \otimes {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w) \} {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}) \\
& \quad \times \delta_0 \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right) \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w} \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \\
& \times \det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right) \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w} \right)_{i,j=1, \dots, 4} \\
& \quad \times \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w) ] d\underline{\theta}
\end{aligned}$$

By the invariance of Wiener measure under an orthogonal

transformation,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h} = 0$  and  $T(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}) \in O(10)$ ,

we finally see, noting that  $-\langle h, w \rangle_H / \varepsilon = 2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)$

under the condition  $(h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w) = 0$  and  $w_1 = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2^{(3)} &= \exp(-\|h\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta}-\underline{\theta}_0|<\eta} E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \\
& \quad \times \delta_0(\varepsilon w_1) \delta_0(\varepsilon(h \otimes \dot{w} - w \otimes h) + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}(w \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes w)) \\
& \quad \times \delta_0 \left( \left( \varepsilon \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right) \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w} \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4} \\
& \times \det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right) \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w} \right)_{i,j=1, \dots, 4} \\
& \quad \times \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h + \varepsilon A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w) ] d\underline{\theta}
\end{aligned}$$

Define  $\mathbb{R}^{14}$ -valued Wiener functional  $g_{0,\underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.9) \quad g_{0,\underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w) &= (w_1, (h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h)_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \\
& \quad \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \right) \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w} \Big)_{i=1, \dots, 4}
\end{aligned}$$

Then, by Lemma 5.4 and Lemma 5.5, given below, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.10) \quad J_2^{(3)} &\sim \exp(-\|h\|_H^2/2\varepsilon^2) \varepsilon^{-14} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta}-\underline{\theta}_0|<\eta} \\
& \quad E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_{0,\underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w))]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\times \det \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \middle| h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \right) \right\}_{i,j=1, \dots, 4} \\ \times \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h) d\underline{\theta}$$

**Lemma 5.3.C.**

$$E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_{0, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w))] \\ = \frac{1}{2^{10} \cdot 3 \cdot u^5 \cdot \pi^6 \sin \theta_1 \cdot \cos \theta_1} \quad .$$

*Proof.*

Let  $p_{\underline{\theta}}^{\theta}(x)$  be the density of the law of  $g_{0, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)$ , then

$$E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \delta_0(g_{0, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w))] \\ = E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} | g_{0, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w) = 0] \cdot p_{\underline{\theta}}^{\theta}(0) \quad ,$$

and it is easy to see that  $p_{\underline{\theta}}^{\theta}(0) = \frac{1}{2^{10} \cdot 3 \cdot u^5 \cdot \pi^6 \cdot \sin \theta_1 \cdot \cos \theta_1}$ . Let

$\Xi_{ij}^{(3)} = (h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h)_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ , and  $\Xi_k^{(3)} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_k} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \middle| h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 4$ . Then using  $\xi_j^{(i)}$ ,  $\eta_l^{(k)}$  in (5.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Xi_{12}^{(3)} &= \sqrt{u/2\pi} \xi_1^{(2)} + \sqrt{u/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}) \quad , \\ \Xi_{13}^{(3)} &= \sqrt{u/2\pi} \xi_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{u/4\pi} \xi_2^{(1)} \quad , \\ \Xi_{14}^{(3)} &= \sqrt{u/2\pi} \xi_1^{(4)} + \sqrt{u/4\pi} (\eta_2^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}) \quad , \\ \Xi_{23}^{(3)} &= -\sqrt{u/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) - \sqrt{u/4\pi} \xi_2^{(2)} \quad , \\ \Xi_{24}^{(3)} &= -\sqrt{u/2\pi} (\eta_1^{(4)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(4)}) + \sqrt{u/4\pi} (\eta_2^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}) \quad , \\ \Xi_{34}^{(3)} &= \sqrt{u/4\pi} \xi_2^{(4)} + \sqrt{u/4\pi} (\eta_2^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)}) \quad , \\ \Xi_1^{(3)} &= -\sqrt{4\pi u} \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_2^{(1)} + \xi_2^{(2)}) \\ &\quad - \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_2^{(1)} - \eta_2^{(2)}) \\ &\quad + \sqrt{2\pi u} \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_1^{(3)} + \xi_1^{(4)}) \\ &\quad - \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)}) \quad , \\ \Xi_2^{(3)} &= -\sqrt{2\pi u} \cos^2 \theta_1 (\xi_1^{(1)} - \eta_1^{(2)}) \\ &\quad - \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_2^{(1)} + \xi_2^{(2)}) \\ &\quad + \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_2^{(1)} - \eta_2^{(2)}) \\ &\quad + \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_1^{(3)} + \xi_1^{(4)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)}) \\
& + \sqrt{4\pi u} \cos^2 \theta_1 (\xi_2^{(3)} - \eta_2^{(4)}) , \\
\Xi_3^{(3)} = & - \sqrt{4\pi u} (\xi_2^{(3)} - \eta_2^{(4)})
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\Xi_4^{(3)} = & - \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin^2 \theta_1 (\xi_1^{(1)} - \eta_1^{(2)}) \\
& + \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_2^{(1)} + \xi_2^{(2)}) \\
& - \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_2^{(1)} - \eta_2^{(2)}) \\
& - \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_1^{(3)} + \xi_1^{(4)}) \\
& - \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)}) \\
& - \sqrt{4\pi u} \cos^2 \theta_1 (\xi_2^{(3)} - \eta_2^{(4)}) .
\end{aligned}$$

Now set  $\tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)} = \Xi_2^{(3)} + \Xi_4^{(3)}$  and  $\tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = \Xi_2^{(3)} + \cos^2 \theta_1 (\Xi_3^{(3)} - \tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)})$ ,  
i.e.

$$\tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)} = - \sqrt{2\pi u} (\xi_1^{(1)} - \eta_1^{(2)})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = & - \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_2^{(1)} + \xi_2^{(2)}) \\
& + \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_2^{(1)} - \eta_2^{(2)}) \\
& + \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\eta_1^{(3)} + \xi_1^{(4)}) \\
& + \sqrt{2\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\xi_1^{(3)} - \eta_1^{(4)}) ,
\end{aligned}$$

and let  $\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)}$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ , be random variables obtained by  
excluding the terms  $\eta_0^{(k)}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 4$ , from  $\Xi_{ij}^{(3)}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& E[\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} | g_{0, \theta}^{(3)}(w) = 0] \\
= & E[\exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{m} (\xi_m^{(2k)} (\eta_m^{(2k-1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2k-1)}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \xi_m^{(2k-1)} (\eta_m^{(2k)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2k)})\right) | g_{0, \theta}^{(3)}(w) = 0] \\
= & E[\exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{m} (-\xi_m^{(2k-1)} \eta_m^{(2k)} + \xi_m^{(2k)} \eta_m^{(2k-1)})\right) | \\
& \quad \tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)} = 0, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \Xi_1^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = \Xi_3^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)} = 0] \\
= & E[\exp\{(-\xi_1^{(1)} \eta_1^{(2)} + \xi_1^{(2)} \eta_1^{(1)}) + (-\xi_2^{(3)} \eta_2^{(4)} + \xi_2^{(4)} \eta_2^{(3)})\} | \\
& \quad \tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_{12}^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_{34}^{(3)} = \Xi_3^{(3)} = 0]
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& \times E[\exp\{\frac{1}{2}(\xi_2^{(2)}\eta_2^{(1)} - \xi_2^{(1)}\eta_2^{(2)}) + 2(\xi_1^{(4)}\eta_1^{(3)} - \xi_1^{(3)}\eta_1^{(4)})\} \\
& \quad | \tilde{\Xi}_1^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_1^{(4)} = \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(4)} = \Xi_1^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = 0] \\
& \times \prod_{k=1}^2 \prod_{m=3}^{\infty} E[\exp\{\frac{k}{m}(\xi_m^{(2k)}\eta_m^{(2k-1)} - \xi_m^{(2k-1)}\eta_m^{(2k)})\}] \\
& = I_1 \times I_2 \times I_3 .
\end{aligned}$$

Here the second equality is obtained by that  $\eta_0^{(i)} = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , and that  $\Xi_2^{(3)} = \Xi_3^{(3)} = \Xi_4^{(3)} = 0$  if and only if  $\tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = \Xi_3^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)} = 0$ , and it is easy to see that  $I_3 = \prod_{k=1}^2 \prod_{m=3}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{k^2}{m^2}\right)^{-1} = 9$  and that

$$\begin{aligned}
I_1 &= E[\exp(-\xi_1^{(1)}\eta_1^{(2)}) | \tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)} = 0] \times E[\exp(\xi_1^{(2)}\eta_1^{(1)}) | \tilde{\Xi}_1^{(3)} = 0] \\
&\quad \times E[\exp(-\xi_2^{(3)}\eta_2^{(4)}) | \Xi_3^{(3)} = 0] \times E[\exp(\xi_2^{(4)}\eta_2^{(3)}) | \tilde{\Xi}_3^{(4)} = 0] \\
&= \left( (1/\sqrt{2\pi}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \right)^4 = \frac{1}{4} .
\end{aligned}$$

Define  $X_i^{(3)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , by

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1^{(3)} &= -\sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_1^{(3)} + 2 \cdot \xi_2^{(2)} , \\
X_2^{(3)} &= \sqrt{2} \cdot \xi_1^{(4)} - 2 \cdot \eta_2^{(1)} , \\
X_3^{(3)} &= \sqrt{2} \cdot \xi_1^{(3)} + 2 \cdot \xi_2^{(1)}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$X_4^{(3)} = -\sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_1^{(4)} - 2 \cdot \eta_2^{(2)} .$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.11) \quad & \exp\{\frac{1}{2}(\xi_2^{(2)}\eta_2^{(1)} - \xi_2^{(1)}\eta_2^{(2)}) + 2(\xi_1^{(4)}\eta_1^{(3)} - \xi_1^{(3)}\eta_1^{(4)})\} \\
& = \exp\{-\frac{1}{6}(X_1^{(3)}X_2^{(3)} - X_3^{(3)}X_4^{(3)}) + P_3(\Xi)\}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $P_3(\Xi)$  is a polynomial of degree 2 in 4 variables  $\Xi = (\tilde{\Xi}_1^{(3)}, \tilde{\Xi}_1^{(4)}, \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)}, \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(4)})$  whose constant term is 0. This equality is obtained in the same way as in Case B. Noting that

$$\Xi_1^{(3)} = \sqrt{\pi u} \{ (X_2^{(3)} - X_1^{(3)}) \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) - (X_3^{(3)} + X_4^{(3)}) \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \}$$

and that

$$\tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = \sqrt{\pi u} \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1$$

$$\times \{ (X_2^{(3)} - X_1^{(3)}) \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) + (X_3^{(3)} + X_4^{(3)}) \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \},$$

we have  $\Xi_1^{(3)} = \tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)} = 0$  if and only if  $X_1^{(3)} - X_2^{(3)} = 0$  and

$$X_3^{(3)} + X_4^{(3)} = 0. \quad \text{Thus}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= E[\exp\{-\frac{1}{6}(X_1^{(3)}X_2^{(3)} - X_3^{(3)}X_4^{(3)})\} | \\ &\quad X_1^{(3)} - X_2^{(3)} = 0, X_3^{(3)} + X_4^{(3)} = 0] \\ &= E[\exp(-\frac{1}{6} X_1^{(3)}X_2^{(3)}) | X_1^{(3)} - X_2^{(3)} = 0] \\ &\quad \times E[\exp(\frac{1}{6} X_3^{(3)}X_4^{(3)}) | X_3^{(3)} + X_4^{(3)} = 0] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $X_1^{(3)} + X_2^{(3)}, X_3^{(3)} - X_4^{(3)} \sim N(0, 12)$ .

Combined  $I_1, I_2$  and  $I_3$  with  $p_3^\theta(0)$ , the proof is completed. //

It is easy to compute that

$$\begin{aligned} &\det \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h \rangle_H \right) \Big|_{h=A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h} \right)_{i,j=1,\dots,4} \\ &= 3^2 \cdot 2^9 \cdot \pi^4 \cdot u^4 \cdot \cos^2 \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_1 \end{aligned}$$

and that  $\|h\|_H^2 = 12\pi u$ , so we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_2^{(3)} &\sim \exp(-6\pi u/\varepsilon^2) \varepsilon^{-14} \frac{3}{2u\pi^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \\ &\quad \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h) \cdot \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 d\underline{\theta} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 5.2.**

Define a metric  $g$  on  $K_{\min}^{0,x}$  by

$$g = \sum g_{ij} d\theta^i d\theta^j$$

where

$$g_{ij} = \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \rangle_H$$

If we introduce another metric  $g'$  on  $K_{\min}^{0,x}$  by

$$g' = \sum g'_{ij} d\theta'^i d\theta'^j$$

where

$$g'_{ij} = \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'^i} A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'^j} A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h \rangle_H$$

and, for some  $\underline{\alpha} \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3$ ,  $A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} = A_{\underline{\alpha}}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}$ , then  $g = g'$ .

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} g'_{ij} &= \langle \sum_k \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_k} \frac{\partial \theta_k}{\partial \theta'_i} A_{\underline{\alpha}}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \sum_l \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_l} \frac{\partial \theta_l}{\partial \theta'_j} A_{\underline{\alpha}}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{k,l} \frac{\partial \theta_k}{\partial \theta'_i} \frac{\partial \theta_l}{\partial \theta'_j} \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_k} A_{\underline{\alpha}}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_l} A_{\underline{\alpha}}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{k,l} \frac{\partial \theta_k}{\partial \theta'_i} \frac{\partial \theta_l}{\partial \theta'_j} \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_k} A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_l} A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h \rangle_H \\ &= \sum_{k,l} \frac{\partial \theta_k}{\partial \theta'_i} \frac{\partial \theta_l}{\partial \theta'_j} g_{kl} . \end{aligned}$$

So it is easy to see that  $g = g'$ . //

Since  $\|A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h\|_H^2$  is independent of  $\underline{\theta}$ , it is clear that

$$\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_i} A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta'_j} A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h \rangle_H = - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta'_i \partial \theta'_j} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}'}^{(4)} h} .$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h) \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 d\underline{\theta} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta} (I_{U_i} \cdot \Phi_i)(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h) \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 d\underline{\theta} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\underline{\theta} \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3} (I_{U_i} \cdot \Phi_i)(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h) \\ & \quad \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 d\underline{\theta} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\underline{\theta} \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3} (I_{U_i} \cdot \Phi_i)(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} h) \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 d\underline{\theta} \\ &= \int_{\underline{\theta} \in [0, \pi/2] \times [0, 2\pi)^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} h) \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 d\underline{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 4\pi^3 .$$

Here the third equality is due to Proposition 5.2. Therefore

$$J_2^{(3)} \sim \exp(-6\pi u/\varepsilon^2) \varepsilon^{-14} \frac{6\pi}{u} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0$$

In conclusion, we have

**Theorem 5.1.C.**

In Case C, i.e.,  $x = [0, U]$ ,  $U \sim u(\delta_{12} - \delta_{21} + \delta_{34} - \delta_{43})$ ,  $u > 0$ ,

$$p(\varepsilon^2, 0, x) \sim \exp(-6\pi u/\varepsilon^2) \varepsilon^{-14} \frac{6\pi}{u} \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0$$

We finish this section by proving two lemmas quoted above which assured the asymptotics (5.4), (5.7) and (5.10).

Let  $\chi_i : \mathbb{R}^{n(i)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , be  $C^\infty$ -functions satisfying  $\text{Supp } \chi_i \subset \{ |x| \leq 1 \}$  where  $n(1) = 11$ ,  $n(2) = 12$  and  $n(3) = 14$ .

**Lemma 5.4.**

A) We can choose  $\eta > 0$  such that for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp\{2\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_1(g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}(w)) \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)}(\tilde{h} + \varepsilon w)) \\ &= \exp\{2\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_1(g_0^{(1)}(w)) \Phi_i(A_{\theta}^{(1)}\tilde{h}) + O(\varepsilon) \\ & \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } \tilde{D}^\infty \text{ if } |\theta - \tilde{\theta}_i| < \eta . \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore  $O(\varepsilon)$  is uniform on  $\{ \theta ; |\theta - \tilde{\theta}_i| < \eta \}$ . Here  $\Phi_i$ ,  $\tilde{\theta}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , are as in the statement after Lemma 5.1.A.

B) We can choose  $\eta > 0$  such that for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_2(g_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}(w)) \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}(h + \varepsilon w)) \\ &= \exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_2(g_0^{(2)}(w)) \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(2)}h) + O(\varepsilon) \\ & \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } \tilde{D}^\infty \text{ if } |\underline{\theta} - \underline{\tilde{\theta}}_i| < \eta . \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore  $O(\varepsilon)$  is uniform on  $\{ \underline{\theta} ; |\underline{\theta} - \underline{\tilde{\theta}}_i| < \eta \}$ .

C) For all  $\underline{\theta}_0 \in (0, \pi/2) \times [0, 2\pi)^3$  we can choose  $\eta > 0$  such that

for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.12) \quad & \exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \theta}^{(3)}(w)) \\
 & \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta_i}^{(4)} {}^t A_{\theta_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\theta}^{(4)}(h + \varepsilon w)) \\
 = & \exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_3(g_{0, \theta}^{(3)}(w)) \\
 & \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta_i}^{(4)} {}^t A_{\theta_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\theta}^{(4)} h) + O(\varepsilon) \\
 & \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \text{ in } \tilde{D}^\infty \text{ if } |\theta - \theta_i| < \eta.
 \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore  $O(\varepsilon)$  is uniform on  $(\theta; |\theta - \theta_i| < \eta)$

Here  $g_0^{(1)}(w)$ ,  $g_0^{(2)}(w)$  and  $g_{0, \theta}^{(3)}(w)$  are as in (5.3), (5.6) and (5.9), respectively, and we define  $g_\varepsilon^{(1)}(w)$ ,  $g_\varepsilon^{(2)}(w)$  and  $g_{\varepsilon, \theta}^{(3)}(w)$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_\varepsilon^{(1)}(w) &= (w_1, S^{12}(1, w), \\
 & ((\dot{h} \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes \dot{h}) + \varepsilon S(1, w))_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \quad \langle A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \dot{h}, w \rangle_H), \\
 & (i, j) \neq (1, 2) \\
 g_\varepsilon^{(2)}(w) &= (w_1, ((h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h) + \varepsilon S(1, w))_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \\
 & \langle A_{(\pi/2, 0)}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H, \langle A_{(0, \pi/2)}^{(2)} h, w \rangle_H)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{\varepsilon, \theta}^{(3)}(w) &= (w_1, ((h \otimes \dot{w} - \dot{w} \otimes h) + \varepsilon S(1, w))_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \\
 & \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\theta}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \Big|_{h' = A_{\theta}^{(4)} w} \right)_{i=1, \dots, 4}).
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

We prove only C), the others being similarly proved. We use the same notations as in Lemma 5.3.C.

It is enough to prove that we can choose  $\eta > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.13) \quad & \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq 1, |\theta - \theta_i| < \eta} \|\exp\{2\pi S^{12}(1, w) + 4\pi S^{34}(1, w)\} \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \theta}^{(3)}(w)) \\
 & \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\theta_i}^{(4)} {}^t A_{\theta_0}^{(4)} A_{\theta}^{(4)}(h + \varepsilon w))\|_{L^p(P)} < \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

for some  $p > 1$ . This is because the estimate (5.12) is true for almost all  $w$  and (5.13) guarantees the uniformly integrability,

thus (5.12) is valid in the sense of  $L^p$  for some  $p > 1$  : The  $L^p$ -estimate of its higher order  $H$ -derivatives can be obtained in the same way.

Using  $\xi_j^{(i)}, \eta_j^{(i)}$  in (5.5) the integrand of (5.12) is expressed by

$$\begin{aligned}
& \exp\{-\xi_1^{(1)}(\eta_1^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}) + \xi_1^{(2)}(\eta_1^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)}) \\
& \quad - \xi_2^{(3)}(\eta_2^{(4)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(4)}) + \xi_2^{(4)}(\eta_2^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)})\} \\
& \quad \cdot \chi_3(g_{\mathbf{E}, \theta}^{(3)}(w)) \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h + \varepsilon w)) \\
& \times \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\{-\xi_2^{(1)}(\eta_2^{(2)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2)}) + \xi_2^{(2)}(\eta_2^{(1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(1)})\} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + 2\{-\xi_1^{(3)}(\eta_1^{(4)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(4)}) + \xi_1^{(4)}(\eta_1^{(3)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(3)})\}\right) \\
& \quad \cdot \chi_3(g_{\mathbf{E}, \theta}^{(3)}(w)) \cdot \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h + \varepsilon w)) \\
& \times \exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^2 \sum_{m=3}^{\infty} \frac{k}{m} \{\xi_m^{(2k)}(\eta_m^{(2k-1)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2k-1)}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \xi_m^{(2k-1)}(\eta_m^{(2k)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(2k)})\}\right) \\
& \quad \cdot \chi_3(g_{\mathbf{E}, \theta}^{(3)}(w)) \\
& = I_1 \times I_2 \times I_3 .
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that  $\sup_{\mathbf{E}, \theta} E[I_3^p] < \infty$ ,  $1 < p < 3/2$ , thus all we must do is to verify

$$(5.14) \quad \sup_{\mathbf{E}, \theta} E[(I_1 \times I_2)^q] < \infty, \quad \text{for some } q > 3 .$$

If  $\Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h + \varepsilon w)) > 0$ , then we have

$$\|A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h + \varepsilon w) - A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} h\|_2 < \gamma$$

where  $\gamma = \gamma(\eta)$  is as in Lemma 5.1.C. Hence

$$\varepsilon^2 \int_0^1 |w_t|^2 dt - 2 \int_0^1 |(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} (A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)}) h_t|^2 dt < 2\gamma^2 ,$$

i.e.

$$\varepsilon^2 \int_0^1 |w_t|^2 dt - 2 \int_0^1 |(A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)}) h_t|^2 dt < 2\gamma^2 .$$

For all  $\eta > 0$ , there exist  $\gamma' = \gamma'(\eta)$  such that  $\|A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} - A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)}\|_{\text{op}} < \gamma'$  if  $|\underline{\theta} - \underline{\theta}_0| < \eta$  and  $\gamma' \downarrow 0$  as  $\eta \downarrow 0$ . So there exists a constant  $K > 0$  satisfying

$$(5.15) \quad \varepsilon^2 \int_0^1 |w_t|^2 dt < 2\gamma^2 + 2K\gamma'^2$$

for all  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ . On the other hand,  $\chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)) > 0$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} |w_1| &< \delta, \\ |\Xi_{ij}^{(3)} + \varepsilon S^{ij}(1, w)| &< \delta \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \langle A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} h, h' \rangle_H \Big|_{h' = A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)} w} \right| < \delta$$

for some  $\delta > 0$ . Clearly, for any constant  $c_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\exp\left(c_1 \left\{ \xi_m^{(i)} (\eta_m^{(j)} - \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_0^{(j)}) \right\}\right) \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)) \\ &= \exp(c_1 \xi_m^{(i)} \eta_m^{(j)}) \exp(-\sqrt{2} c_1 \xi_m^{(i)} \eta_0^{(j)}) \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)) \\ &\leq \exp(c_1 \xi_m^{(i)} \eta_m^{(j)}) \exp(|c_1| \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \delta \cdot \xi_m^{(i)}) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\exp(|c_1| \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \delta \cdot \xi_m^{(j)}) \in L^q$  for all  $q > 0$ . Therefore we can assume  $\eta_0^{(i)} = 0$  in (5.13).

First we treat with the term  $I_1$ . Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} &\exp(-\xi_1^{(1)} \eta_1^{(2)}) \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)) \\ &= \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left( (\xi_1^{(1)} - \eta_1^{(2)}) / \sqrt{2} \right)^2 - \left( (\xi_1^{(1)} + \eta_1^{(2)}) / \sqrt{2} \right)^2 \right\}\right) \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)) \\ &= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left( (\xi_1^{(1)} + \eta_1^{(2)}) / \sqrt{2} \right)^2\right\} \exp\{(\tilde{\Xi}_4^{(3)})^2 / 8\pi u\} \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}(w)) \\ &\leq \exp(\delta^2 / 2\pi u) \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left( (\xi_1^{(1)} + \eta_1^{(2)}) / \sqrt{2} \right)^2\right\} \in L^q \text{ for all } q > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can prove  $\exp(-\xi_2^{(3)} \eta_2^{(4)}) \chi_3(g_{\varepsilon, \underline{\theta}}^{(3)}) \in L^q$  for all  $q > 0$ .

Next

$$\exp(\xi_1^{(2)} \eta_1^{(1)}) = \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left( (\xi_1^{(2)} - \eta_1^{(1)}) / \sqrt{2} \right)^2\right\} \exp\left\{\frac{\pi}{u} (\tilde{\Xi}_1^{(3)})^2\right\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left\{\frac{\pi}{u}(\tilde{\Xi}_1^{(3)})^2\right\} \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h+\varepsilon w)) \\ \leq \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{u}((1+\sqrt{u/\pi})\delta + |\varepsilon S^{12}(1,w)|^2)\right). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to show that there exist a Brownian motion  $B(t)$  on  $W_0^1$  such that

$$\varepsilon S^{12}(1,w) = B\left(\varepsilon^2 \int_0^1 \{(w_t^1)^2 + (w_t^2)^2\} dt\right).$$

Appealing to (5.15), for each  $q > 1$  we can choose  $\eta$  such that

$$\sup_{\varepsilon, \theta} E[\exp\{q \xi_1^{(2)} \eta_1^{(1)}\} \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h+\varepsilon w))] < \infty.$$

Similarly, for each  $q > 1$  we can choose  $\eta$  such that

$$\sup_{\varepsilon, \theta} E[\exp\{q \xi_2^{(4)} \eta_2^{(3)}\} \Phi_i(A_{\underline{\theta}_i}^{(4)} \cdot {}^t A_{\underline{\theta}_0}^{(4)} \cdot A_{\underline{\theta}}^{(4)}(h+\varepsilon w))] < \infty$$

Therefore it is easy to check that

$$\sup_{\varepsilon, \theta} E[I_1^q] < \infty, \quad q > 1$$

As for the term  $I_2$  it is enough by (5.11) to treat with the terms  $\exp\{-\frac{1}{6}(X_1 X_2 - X_3 X_4)\}$  and  $\exp\{P_3(\Xi)\}$ . Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} |P_3(\Xi)| &\leq \sum c_2 |\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)}| + \sum c_3 |\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)}| |\tilde{\Xi}_{kl}^{(3)}| \\ &\leq \sum c_2 |\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)}| + \sum c_3 \frac{1}{2}(|\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)}|^2 + |\tilde{\Xi}_{kl}^{(3)}|^2). \end{aligned}$$

Noting that  $|\tilde{\Xi}_{ij}^{(3)}| \leq \delta + |\varepsilon S^{ij}(1,w)|$  on  $\chi_3 > 0$ , we can control the term  $\exp\{P_3(\Xi)\}$  in the same way as in  $I_1$ . Furthermore, noting that  $|\Xi_1^{(3)}| < \delta$  and  $|\tilde{\Xi}_2^{(3)}| < \delta$  if  $\chi_3 > 0$ , we can easily show that  $|X_1 - X_2|^2 + |X_3 + X_4|^2 < 2\delta^2$ , the term  $\exp\{-\frac{1}{6}(X_1 X_2 - X_3 X_4)\}$  is also controlled in the same way as in  $I_1$ . Therefore

$$\sup_{\varepsilon, \theta} E[I_2^q] < \infty \quad \text{for all } q > 1$$

and this completes the proof. //



**Lemma 5.5.**

All of  $g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}$ ,  $g_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}$  and  $g_{\varepsilon,\theta}^{(3)}$  are uniformly non-degenerate.

**Remark 5.5.**

The above lemma ensures the asymptotic expansions of  $\delta_0(g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)})$ ,  $\delta_0(g_{\varepsilon}^{(2)})$  and  $\delta_0(g_{\varepsilon,\theta}^{(3)})$ , thus, combined with Lemma 5.4, we can justify the asymptotics (5.4), (5.7) and (5.10) and furthermore the asymptotic expansions of  $J_2^{(1)}$ ,  $J_2^{(2)}$  and  $J_2^{(3)}$ . Hence, we can conclude that  $p(t,0,x)$  has the expansion of the form (0.1), the main term of which is given by Theorem 5.1.A, B and C respectively.

*Proof of Lemma 5.5.*

Here we treat only  $g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}$  since the others can be proved in a similar way.

Let  $g_{\varepsilon,t}^{(1)}(w)$  be the  $R^{11}$ -valued Wiener process given by

$$g_{\varepsilon,t}^{(1)}(w) = \left( w_t, S^{12}(t,w), \left( \int_0^t (\tilde{h}_t^i dw_t^j - \tilde{h}_t^j dw_t^i) + \varepsilon S^{ij}(t,w) \right)_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4}, \sum_i \int_0^t (A_{\pi/2}^{(1)} \tilde{h})_t^i dw_t^i \right)_{(i,j) \neq (1,2)},$$

Clearly  $g_{\varepsilon,1}^{(1)}(w) = g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}(w)$ . Then  $g_{\varepsilon,t}^{(1)}(w)$  satisfies the following S.D.E. :

$$dg_{\varepsilon,t}^{(1)}(w) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 L_{\alpha}(\varepsilon, t, g_{\varepsilon,t}^{(1)}(w)) \circ dw_t^{\alpha}$$

where  $L_{\alpha}(\varepsilon, t, \xi)$ ,  $\alpha = 1, \dots, 4$ ,  $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{11}) = (x, x^1) \in R^{11}$ , are given by

$$\begin{aligned} L_1(\varepsilon, t, \xi) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \left( x_2 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(12)}} + (\varepsilon x_3 + 2\tilde{h}_t^3) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(13)}} + (\varepsilon x_4 + 2\tilde{h}_t^4) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(14)}} \right), \\ L_2(\varepsilon, t, \xi) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left( x_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(12)}} - (\varepsilon x_3 + 2\tilde{h}_t^3) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(23)}} - (\varepsilon x_4 + 2\tilde{h}_t^4) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(24)}} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$L_3(\varepsilon, t, \xi) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon x_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(13)}} + \varepsilon x_2 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(23)}} - (\varepsilon x_4 + 2\hbar_t^4) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(34)}} \right) - \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin 2\pi t \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$$

and

$$L_4(\varepsilon, t, \xi) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon x_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(14)}} + \varepsilon x_2 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(24)}} + (\varepsilon x_3 + 2\hbar_t^3) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{(34)}} \right) + \sqrt{4\pi u} \cos 2\pi t \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$$

Let  $Y_t^\varepsilon$  be the  $11 \times 11$  matrix given by

$$dY_t^\varepsilon = \partial L_\alpha(\varepsilon, t, g_{\varepsilon, t}^{(1)}) Y_t^\varepsilon \circ dw_t^\alpha$$

where  $\partial L_\alpha(\varepsilon, t, \xi)$  is the  $11 \times 11$  matrix given by  $(\partial L_\alpha(\varepsilon, t, \xi))_{ij} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_j} L_\alpha^i(\varepsilon, t, \xi)$ . Then we have

$$\langle Dg_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}(w), Dg_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}(w) \rangle_H = Y_1^\varepsilon \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 \int_0^1 (Y_t^\varepsilon)^{-1} L_\alpha(\varepsilon, t, g_{\varepsilon, t}^{(1)}(w)) \otimes (Y_t^\varepsilon)^{-1} L_\alpha(\varepsilon, t, g_{\varepsilon, t}^{(1)}(w)) dt {}^t Y_1^\varepsilon.$$

By a slight computation, we know that  $\det Y_1^\varepsilon = 1$ . Therefore we will only evaluate the integral part which will be denoted by  $\sigma(\varepsilon, w)$ .

Let  $l = {}^t(l_i, l_{jk}, l^1)_{\substack{i=1, \dots, 4 \\ 1 \leq j < k \leq 4}} \in \mathbb{R}^{11}$ . Then we can easily

compute that

$$\begin{aligned} & {}^t l \sigma(\varepsilon, w) l \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( \{ l_1 - l_{12} \cdot w_t^2 - l_{13}(\varepsilon w_t^3 + \sqrt{u/\pi} \sin 2\pi t) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - l_{14}(\varepsilon w_t^4 + \sqrt{u/\pi}(1 - \cos 2\pi t)) \}^2 \right. \\ & \quad + \{ l_2 + l_{12} \cdot w_t^1 - l_{23}(\varepsilon w_t^3 + \sqrt{u/\pi} \sin 2\pi t) \\ & \quad \left. - l_{24}(\varepsilon w_t^4 + \sqrt{u/\pi}(1 - \cos 2\pi t)) \}^2 \right. \\ & \quad + \{ l_3 + l_{13} \cdot w_t^1 + l_{23} \cdot w_t^2 \\ & \quad \left. - l_{34}(\varepsilon w_t^4 + \sqrt{u/\pi}(1 - \cos 2\pi t)) - l^1 \cdot \sqrt{4\pi u} \sin 2\pi t \}^2 \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \{ l_4 + l_{14} \cdot w_t^1 + l_{24} \cdot w_t^2 \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$+ l_{34}(\varepsilon w_t^3 + \sqrt{u/\pi} \sin 2\pi t)) + l^1 \cdot \sqrt{4\pi u} \cos 2\pi t \}^2 \Big) dt \quad .$$

Now we will prove that for any  $T$  large enough,

$$(5.16) \quad P\left( \inf_{|l|=1} t_l \sigma(\varepsilon, w) \mid l \mid < \frac{1}{T} \right) \leq c_1 e^{-c_2 T^{c_3}}$$

for some positive constants  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  all of which are independent of  $\varepsilon$ . We know easily that

$$P\left( \sup_{|l|=1} t_l \sigma(\varepsilon, w) \mid l \mid \geq T \right) \leq c_4 e^{-c_5 T}$$

for some positive constants  $c_4$  and  $c_5$  which are independent both of  $\varepsilon$  and  $l$ . Thus it is enough to estimate

$$P\left( t_l \sigma(\varepsilon, w) \mid l \mid < \frac{1}{T} \right)$$

uniformly in  $l$  (cf. S.Kusuoka-D.W.Stroock [12], Appendix).

Appealing to J.Norris [18] or N.Ikeda-S.Watanabe [10], however, it is easy to check that

$$P\left( t_l \sigma(\varepsilon, w) \mid l \mid < \frac{1}{T} \right) \leq c_6 e^{-c_7 T^{c_8}}$$

where  $c_6$ ,  $c_7$  and  $c_8$  are positive constants all of which are independent of  $l$ . Thus (5.16) is concluded.

Then it is easy to see that

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} E[|\det \langle g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}(w), g_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}(w) \rangle_H|^{-p}] < \infty$$

for all  $p > 0$ , and this completes the proof. //

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